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THE FREEMAN CORRESPONDENT ON HIS NATIVE HEATH.

INDULGES IN REMINISCENT REMARKS

And Finds "Going Home" a Rather Pleasant Diversion—The Indiana Warwick and Napoleon, Hon. George L. Knox—A Safe Prediction—Lawyers, Doctors and Teachers—A Brilliant Female Esculapian and a Versatile Pedagogue—Managing Editor Elwood Knox—Other Persons of Note and General Conclusions.

Washington, D. C., Special.

The Freeman correspondent has just returned from the West. A swing through the occidental circuit carries with it many instructive lessons during these troublous times. To one, upon whose integument the veneering of Washington's dolce far niente political atmosphere was beginning to appear in evidence, a trip into the very heart of the pulsating currents that move men to do and die for the faith that is within them, is an eye-opener—an inspiration toward a higher patriotism—a revival of confidence in the strength and perpetuity of the cardinal principles of our massive American institutions.

We visited Indiana—halted for a brief season within the gates of her queenly metropolis, Indianapolis, and beneath the shadows of the finest Soldiers' Monument in all the world, as well as within touch of the most imposing state capital in the broad West. We mingled among old friends, lived again the joys of other days, and noted with pride the onward march of an erstwhile habitat, dearer for its memories and associations than our birthplace or other hallowed spot. We lived in Indianapolis upwards of twenty years. A home-coming, even after the brief interval of two years, could not be other than pleasant. The hearty hand-shake and beaming smiles which greeted us upon every side was as refreshing as a cooling spring in a desert land. Only a soul of adamant and a heart of ice could remain unmoved amid the acclaim of friends, in whose breasts absence had developed an unwonted degree of appreciation, or refuse to meet more than half way ancient enemies with asperities softened and acerbities sweetened by that potent leveler—Time. Infidel or believer, these emotions are common to all mankind. To make a long story short, it is a real nice thing, once in a while, to go home—almost as nice as to always feel sure of having a home to go to.

If the dear reader will just indulge us for a moment, we shall briefly mention a few of the leaders of thought and commercial activity of the nation's greatest inland city. Indianapolis is not distanced by any municipality in America in the number of men of national note or in racial enterprise of a progressive and established character. To Indianapolis may safely be attached far more than local interest. For reasons, not at all difficult to fathom, the mention of the Hoosier state or its capital, naturally brings to mind her foremost citizen, a Warwick in origination, a Napoleon in execution, the Hon. George Levi Knox. Mr. Knox's activity in business, political, religious, and social circles has given him a reputation which long since out-stripped the confines of his adopted state, and he is recognized to-day, in every respect as a national character—a commanding figure in the American arena. Go where you will, North, East, South or West, and few names will be better known to this generation than that of George L. Knox, and none will be found connected with enterprises more vital to the well-being and prosperity of the Negro people. As publisher of The Freeman, as owner of three of the country's finest tonsorial enterprises, as a churchman, as an orator, a race's champion, or as a friend and counsellor to young and old, the name of George L. Knox stands out clearly and brilliantly, unspotted by the ignoble passion of jealousy, unmarred by the crime of treachery, and unsullied by the corrosive breath of scandal. A prince of men, both in merit and physical stature, Mr. Knox has risen to deserved eminence by rugged honesty, by unceasing industry, by thoroughness in every undertaking, by business sagacity, by confidence in his fellowman, and by being true to himself, to his neighbor, and to the Divine Father above. Upon such a foundation only can enduring greatness be built. Such a career is worthy of the emulation of every young man seeking a model by which he may fashion a future. "Free Lance" doesn't often make predictions, and knows little of the maelstroms and inter-currents of politics, but we take no desperate risk in here announcing that should the November battle go his way, Indiana and the nation may within twelve months, proudly point to the Hon. G. L. Knox as a federal officer of the highest rank. As we remarked upon a former occosion, this Lochivar from the West is a right good man to keep an eye upon.

Following Col. Knox, with his roster of fifty employes, as a race leader in commercial circles, comes Mr. C. A. Webb, the constructive spirit of the house-moving firm of Webb, Jamieson & Co. Then there's Benjamin T. Thornton, the West's most noted detective, a heavy property-owner and as square a man as the sun ever shined upon. Prof. Henry Hart leads the musicians in popularity, and Miss Myrtle Hart is perhaps the only Afro-American lady harpist known. Lawyers—good ones, too—Indianapolis has several of them, notably, Hons. J. T. V. Hill, Octavius V. Royall, R. B. Bagby, Isadora Blair, A. E. Manning, and J. H. Lott. The medical profession is honored by having such able representatives as Drs. Wesley Robbins, H. W. and S. A. Furniss, Wm. Chavis, S. A. Elbert, B. J. Cooke, J. H. Ballard, S. J. Rogers, and last but in nowise least, Dr. Beulah Wright Porter, the brightest and most accomplished lady graduate of the famous Indiana Medical College. Mrs. Porter is ambitious and energetic, and a glowing future may be safely predicted for her.

The teachers are now a numerous quantity, since the idea of separate schools has so generally obtained, and they enjoy a high reputation for competence and general equipment. Some of the best known are Prof. John T. Smith, the Misses Mary E. and Victoria A. Wilson, Mrs. Landonia Williams, Prof. W. M. Lewis, and others of no lesser degree of ability as educators. Prof. Lewis is a young man of varied attainments, and is in many respects the embodiment of the highest possibilities of Hoosierland's productive soil. A student, a thinker and a distinguished educator, a versatile and scholarly writer, a journalist of national note, a musician of fine taste and a genius in execution, a business man of broad, practical ideas, a literary and polished orator, and an enthusiast in all movements pointing the race to loftier standards. "Free Lance" rejoices in the friendship of such an admirable Crichton, and takes pleasure in thus recording virtues, being known and viewed with the sincerest admiration.

The Marion county court-house is an excellent place to visit if one is pessemistic enough to believe that the Negro has ceased to be a force in politics. Every county officer has at least one colored deputy, and in one office two hold appointments. The County Clerk's office is graced by the presence of R. B. Bagby, an educator of high rank and who for thirteen years was a member of Uncle Sam's official family at Washington. In the Recorder's office is found G. L. Jones, and J. H. Broyles; in the Auditor's office W. H. Jackson; in the Treasurer's office is A. C. Simms; and holding positions in the offices of Assessor and Sheriff respectively are James Shelton and W. W. Walden. The City Hall is given color by the presence of Mr. L. E. Christy in the Bureau of Assessment. He is an educator of prominence, an old-line journalist, and a man of proved courage along political lines.

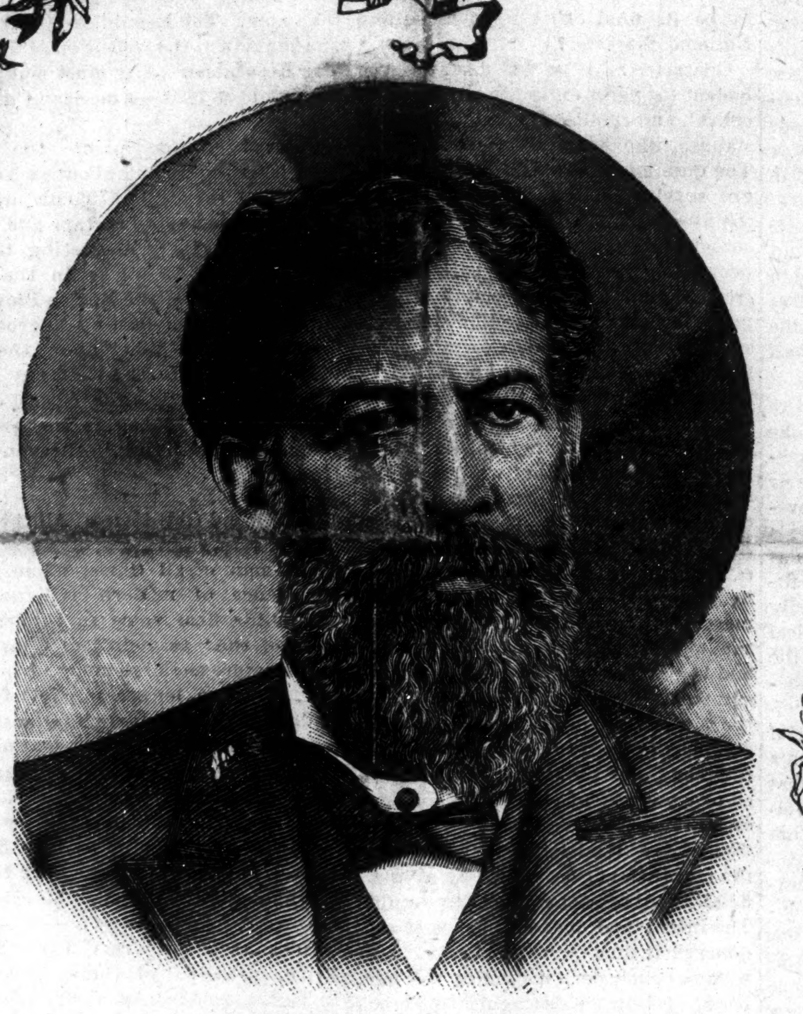
There are business men galore, and among those whom we met are Messrs. Henry Moore and C. H. Lanier, of the Denison tonsorial; W. Miller, of the Grand; H. L. Sanders, furnisher; C. M. C. Willis, unertaker; and J. B. Owens, druggist, are names that lead all the rest. Indianapolis was once a Mecca of musical and dramatic talent and muchlyet remains, but enterprising traveling managers have made heavy inroads upon the one time local stars. Of those who cling fondly to the old home is Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox, an elocutionist of rare excellence. Mrs. Fox is not only a dramatic reader of force, brilliance and quick intellectual grasp, but is a lady of approved social and literary grace and the leading Indiana representative of the allied "National Association of Colored Women," enjoying the acquaintance and deepest respect of such noted organizers as Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, Mrs. Booker T. Washington, Mrs. J. H. Ruffin, Mrs. Victoria Earle Matthews, Mrs. Jessie Lawson, Mrs. B. K. Bruce, and Mrs. Lucy G. Thurman.

The Freeman office is a pleasant place to visit. Its appointments are elegant, roomy and convenient. Unlike the popular idea of a Negro newspaper office, the sanctum is richly carpeted, the desks are of the latest pattern, the files are intelligently arranged, the mechanical department is as orderly as a Sunnay-school class, and business is conducted with the same exactness and precision that wsuld characterize a metropolitan bank. The Managing Editor, Mr. Elwood Knox, a young man of brilliant parts and praiseworthy enterprise, is the presiding genius, and no detail of the great volumn of business escapes his ready eye. The bookkeeper and stenographer, Mrs. Nellie Nicholson (nee Miss Knox) and Miss Ella Palmer, are as handsome a pair of young ladies as one would meet in a month's travel. The foreman of the composing-room is Mr. George G. Simmons, an experienced printer and manager. His assistants are Mrs. A. Myrtle Wallace-Harris, Chas. W. Goyns, J. Harry Jackson, and others well versed in the "art preservative," and who can read manuscript even worse than that ground out by the Washington correspondent. We owe them numerous apologies, as well as assurances of our distinguished consideration.

A visit to The World office brought us into the genial presence of the redoubtable W. Allison Sweeney, who for the present is The World's acting editor. Mr. Sweeney is known the country over as a trenchant wielder of the journalistic tripod, and he is turning out some scorching free silver literature. If Indiana's political pot isn't kept boiling, the fault will not be his.

We met countless other old and valued friends but limited space forbids further personal mention. Our brief sojourn furnishes the nucleus of many pleasant memories, and our heartfelt thanks are due to each and every friend who contributed the smallest mite to the ample sum total. The tie that binds us to rare Hoosier land was never firmer than it is to-day, and the tender sentiments wont to cluster about "Home, Sweet Home," never possessed a sweeter or more sacred potency.

FREE LANCE.



HON. JOHN MERCER LANGSTON,
Of Washington, D. C., recently appointed a member of the Advisory Board of the Eastern Division of the National Committee.

Wedding Bells.

Poplar Bluff, Mo, Special.

Miss Savannah Bailey left on the 12th for Jefferson City to attend Lincoln College. The True Elevens Phyllis Wheatley Lodge of this city gave a grand entertainment on the 12th at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith. Rev. K. L. Hill, a Baptist missionary was in the city and preached at Pleasant Hill Baptist church on the 13th. The True Elevens gave another entertainment at a meeting of the Lincoln Club on the 14th at the residence of Wm. Smith. Lewis Johnson arrrived in the city from Leeper, also Manuel Carter. Quite an excursion of colored delegates from Texas passed through here on the 15th en route to St. Louis to attend the Baptist Association in that city. Mrs. Lucy Hainline returned from Columbus, Ky., on the 16th. Mrs. Cornelia Fields returned from a six week's visit to Newport, Ark., on the 15th. Sanders Sides and Miss Callie Gainey were united in wedlock after services at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church. The church was crowded. It was acknowledged to be one of the most gracefully and elegantly apparelled wedding ever witnessed in this city. Ringling Bros. world's greatest shows exhibited in this city in all its undivided magnitude on the 18th.

Memorial Services.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

Memorial service of Mother Lucy Eldrod was held in Bethel A. M. E. church. She was eighty-nine years old, and had been a christian eighty-three years. It was in her house that the first A. M. E. church was started in this state. T. H. Daniels and others are trying to raise money to erect a monument in the name of the A. M. E. church. The election is over, and the fraud returns are in. Everybody is anxious to see the Baptist college completed. One-third of the money that's thrown away on the street cars on Sundays would buy a home for the old ladies. There is talk of putting on separate cars for Negroes.

ALL IS BRIGHT AND LOVELY

ON THE PEACEFUL SHORES OF THE GREAT BEYOND.

NIGHT TEACHES US ITS SOLEMNITY.

When the Dark Mantle is Spread Over Us, Then Comes Reflection—The Public Schools Opened with an Unusally Large Attendance—The C. E. Fair—Its Committee—Literay Societies in the Churches Progressing—Entertaining and Spicy News Letters from Everywhere.

San Antonio, Tex., special.

The public schools have begun their work again under plenary circumstances as to attendance. There seems to be quite a manifest need for more accomodations. The schools are encouragingly represented in numbers and interest. Profs. Sutton, Morris, Lowery and others are well attending to the good work that concerns the educating of our boys and girls, and young men and women, to the extent of their curriculum. The churches are having several literaries and socials under the auspices of their church auxilliaries.

The quartery conference and quarterly meeting subsequent to the quarterly love feast were interesting and well attended services; the reports from the various departments were written and reported when called for. The stewards, trustees, Christian endeavorers and Sabbath school reports were exceptionally good. The entire assessment for the year, $80 were paid to the Presiding Elder, Rev. R. S. Jenkins, D. D., in full. The trustees report progress on bell money is meritorious and timely. Rev. A. L. Handley, of South Bastrop station, preached a fine sermon to the Bethel congregation on Sunday evening last. Rev. A. M. Gregory, of Waelder, preached for Rev. B. W. Roberts, D. D., of St. James A. M. E. church last Sunday morning. The presiding elder preached a wonderful farewell sermon to the Bethel congregation, in concluding the conference, from the text: "There is no Night there,"—Rev. xxii v. Among other things of noteworthiness, he said: "Night teaches us the solemn and fearful lesson of the individuality of our being. It shows to us what it is to be be alone with ourselves and God. Night brings all the faculties and sensibilities of the soul inward upon itself. Night causes you to spend many wakeful hours in darkness and in silence upon your bed. Night with its silence and solitude imposes you far more deeply than the day with the sense of God's presence. With the bare solitary conviction of your direct individual responsibility to Him. God, our Heavenly Father, folds down the vail of darkness upon the whole world. The halt of our life time on purpose that we may shut out all external things, retire within ourselves and meet Him alone in the living sanctuary of our own hearts. He covers us with the mantle of night and lays upon the necessity of repose, that we may not waste all our affections and faculties in frantic devotions to the mere show and form of this changing world. The night of the natural world is the symbol of the deeper night of sorrow and disappointment that settle down upon the soul. We may learn from the nights of affections and trouble many lessons which we could not master in the light of the broad day. Among the many nights of the Bible, that of Daniel's night in the den of lions; Joseph's in the prison; Christ Jesus in the garden, are all worthy of profound consideration. Our last nights of affiction passing through the valley and shadow of death to the land of light where there is no night and shall not even be, are nights to which our most careful and prayerful minds are conducted." The Christian Endeavor fair committees are endeavoring to get things in unique modus operandi for the Christian Endeavor fair, October 20th, at Bethel A. M. E. church. The efficient young lady in the pedagogical world, particularly of the Waco city schools, Miss Maggie C. Denham, has returned to the Texas "Athens," to begin her work again, after a very pleasant and enjoyable stay of a few weeks, with friends in the Alamo city, the city in which her accomplished father, Rev. T. C. Denham, D. D., preached four years. Mrs. Bessie B. Sublett, the faithful corresponding secretary of the Christian Endeavor, has been called to her pedagogical field of labor, El Paso, Tex. She has the best wishes of the society and friends for usual success.

Personal Mention—Deaths.

Clarksville, Tenn., special.

Simon Ogburn, age 24, died at the residence of his father, 119 St. John street, after a long illness, of consumption, September 15th; he was a member of St. Peter A. M. E. church, and leaves a father, brother, relatives and a host of friends. The funeral was conducted by Rev. G. W. Porter. Daniel Learell who was knocked down and ran over by a L. & N. freight train, died from his injuries September 15th. J. C. Napier and J. W. Grant, of Nashville, addressed the McKinley club at the court house September 16th. A large number of people left Saturday the 12th, for St. Louis. Mr. Warner Lewis, of Herndon, Ky., was in the city on the 16th. Mr. Frank Lynch and Miss Lizzie Garth were married on the 17th, at Wesley Chapel C. M. E. church; the ceremony being performed in the presence of about 600 people Rev. N. C. Cleares officiated. We congratulate them. Geo. W. Hill made a flying trip to Nashville, Sunday the 20th. Misses Johnson and Jenkins, of Rossview, visited the city last week. Miss Maderson who has been visiting Rev. Porter's family, left on the 19th for her home in Paris, Tenn. W. M. Barker is on the sick list.

THE OLD WAR ISSUES DEAD!

THE NINETEENTH CENTURY HAS A PECULIAR INTEREST

For the American Negro—Food for the Future Historian—What the Negro Should do in Order to Cope With Other Races.

[The following address was delivered by Prof. J. W. E. Bowen, D. D., Ph. D., of Atlanta, Ga., at the Houston, Tex., Afro-American Fair August 24, 1896.]

MR. PRESIDENT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—When the future historian shall take up his task to write the story of the Nineteenth century, he will be confronted by an array of facts and discoveries, of conquests and projects, of revolutions and results, unparalleled in the annals of time. These splendid achievements and world-wide revolutions in the physical, social, intellectual and spiritual world stamp this century as the one supreme era in the world's history. It is impossible to catalogue even the chiefest of these achievements. Foremost among them, however, we may mention the growth, development and decay of serfdom and human slavery; the liberation of millions in Russia, Austria, Poland, the Isles of the Sea, the United States and South America; the revolutions in the governments of Europe. "Sixty years ago," says Robert McKenzie, "Europe was the aggregate of despotic powers, disposing at their own pleasure of the lives and property of their own subjects. To-day the men of Western Europe govern themselves." The birth of constitutional government in the distant East, for Japan, is stalking today in her seven-leagued boots with bewildering strides toward Western civilization; the rise in the Western world of the greatest representative of republican form of government in the world; the discoveries of material science—in fact the very cradle of science—the revolutions produced by the use of steam and electricity as motive powers; the invention of the sewing machine, the electric telegraph, the telephone, the graphophone, phonograph, kinetoscope; the unheard of mysteries in the chemical world brought to light through the spectral analysis; the luminous truths revealed through the telescope sweeping through the starry heavens; the birth of biological and of sociological science, each contributing hitherto undiscovered truth for the reconstruction of the basis of human society, the noteworthy beginning of the application of Christian principles to the living questions of the day; the bursting open of the doors of heathenism to the triumphant march of Christianity, the incomparable results of missionary activities; the stretching forth of Ethiopia's hand to receive the lighted torch of Christian civilization with which to kindle the fires along her shores and through her dark regions that her dusty millions may see the rising of the Son of Righteousness, and, finally, the spread of that gospel whose conquest reaches from sea to sea, and whose peaceful reign is symbolized under the conversion of the implements of warfare into the instruments of peaceful enterprise. All of these magnificent triumphs and marching forces are to be bequeathed as an incalculable legacy of possibilities to the Twentieth century. Such gifts carry with them responsibilities too vast for mortals to estimate rightly.

This century is the lineal descendant and hereditary heir of all the centuries. Unsurpassed as are these triumphs mentioned above, the glory of the century will be found not so much in these physical triumphs and spread of physical force in the complex machinery of civilization as in the widespreading influence and power of dominant Christianity; in the application of Christian principles to the living question of the day, and in the silent but persistent effort to reconstruct the foundation of human society upon equitable and ethical bases. These tendencies and efforts to the contrary, there is a feeling of disappointment and anxiety that presses itself into painful notice as we stand upon the shoulders of this age and look backward over the path trod and forward to the path to be trod in the new century. Mr. Benjamin Kidd, the latest and most brilliant writer upon sociological questions, thus opens his new book: "To the thoughtful mind the outlook at the close of the Nineteenth century is profoundly interesting History can furnish no parallel to it. The problems which loom across the threshold of the new century surpass in magnitude any that civilization has hitherto had to encounter. We seemed to have reached a time in which there is abroad in men's minds an instinctive feeling that a definite stage in the evolution of Western civilization is drawing to a close and that we are entering on a new era." It is impossible to forecast the new century with certainty, but if it be true that coming events cast their shadows before, it is not presumption to observe the shadows and attempt to decipher the misty events. "It is quite true," so writes Dr. Strong, "as Lowell remarks, that 'the course of events is apt to show itself humorously careless of the reputation of prophets;' but surely one may study discerningly the signs of the times, which are only the shadows of coming events cast before, without attempting the prophetic role."

To the American Negro—nay, the universal Negro—the Nineteenth century has peculiar interest. It will go down in his historical note book as his birthday into Western liberty and civilization. It holds in its unprinted records his deepest sorrows, bitterest persecutions, his most painful struggles and the account of the biting and pitiless ostracism and proscription hurled against him, the almost invariable attendants of racial birth into life and civilization. He will also remember with tearful but glad interest that this century also records his beginning of a new life, when he caught a glimpse for the first time of the flashing light of Western civilization and began to breathe the air of independence and progress.

For, be it remembered that it is far from being settled that the ancient Negro built the civilization of Egypt. In fact, the truth seems to be pointing to another people as the author of that civilization. But there is a compensation even in defeat. It has passed into a sociological and historical truth that a race or nation reaches its zenith but once in its history. Now, if the Negro built the civilization of Egypt, then we may conclude that the future has no glory in store for him, for he has had his day; but if, the truth, as it seems to indicate, another people built that civilization, then there is hope for the Negro that at some uncounted day he will reach the zenith of his history and fill the world for the time being with his glory. That this statement is in accord with the facts as they appear, only a full and careful historical research can reveal. In view of these facts, his enslavement, poverty, ostracism and ignorance has called fourth in this century the advice, sympathy and tangible philanthropy of unnumbered friends. The unstinted surrender of life and of all that is dear to man for the liberation of the slaves is one of the best proofs of the divinity of humanity. As Mr. Lecky says: "The unwearied, unostentatious and and inglorious crusade against slavery is among the three or four perfectly virtuous acts recorded in the history of nations."

Just at this point it will be well to reaffirm that, that has never been brought in question, viz: Ingratitude is foreign to Negro nature. He looks upon that period and is still looking upon the efforts of philanthropy in his behalf and is grateful as of yore.

But, I desire to call your attention to certain movements that are to take place in the new century, for forewarning is forearming you. What are their movements to be? The line of movement is definitely set and the issue is unequivocally laid down in the scientific principle, "the survival of the fittest." This is the first and almost only article of the political and economical creed of the Anglo-Saxon. It is the transference of the ancient blood, Godless, inhuman antipathies and destructive wars of heathenism to the social sphere of Christian civilization, with a baptized sociological and somewhat Christian name. It is the most marvelous and unwitting confirmation of that other scientific and philosophic truth, the persistence of ideas or the continuity of thought. The old feudalism rendering was "might makes right," but this is the rough, uncouth, uncircumcised Philistians; so Christian science comes to the rescue and furnishes a new and popular shibboleth in the "survival of the fittest." It is the most flagrant perversion of the principles of universal brotherhood on record. Uncommented scripture says "The meek shall inherit the earth;" swords shall be beaten into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks; the lion and the lamb shall lie down together; for ye be brethren. But the new rendering, according to accepted science is: "The law life has been always the same from the beginning—ceaseless and inevitable struggle and competition; ceaseless and inevitable selection and rejection; ceaseless and inevitable progress," Kidd 39; and speaking of the historical purpose of the Anglo-Saxon towards weaker people: "He may beat his swords into plowshares, but in his hand the implement of industry prove more effective and deadly weapons than the swords." Such a law as this may apply to fatalistic and unvolitional nature; but when we enter the sphere of man, we enter the world of spirits, of second causes, of moral responsibility, and hence of volition. Now, to transfer bodily this natural law into the spiritual realm, is to say the least, in utter disregard of the higher purposes and regulations of human society. To set this inevitable trend of history before you as the Anglo-Saxon sees it, listen to two or three periods from so distinguished a writer as Doctor Josiah Strong, who believes intensely what he writes and writes what he believes (New Era, page 79): "Now, what is the interpretation of these facts? It seems to me that God with infinite wisdom and skill is here training the Anglo-Saxon race for an hour sure to come in the world's future. Heretofore in the history of mankind there has always been a comparatively unoccupied land westward into which the crowded countries of the East have poured their surplus population. But the widening waves of immigration, which milleniums ago rolled East and West from the valley of the Euphrates, meet to-day on our Pacific coast. There are no more new worlds. The unoccupied arable lands of the earth are limited, and will soon be taken. The time is coming when the pressure of population on the means of subsistence will be felt here as it is now felt in Europe and Asia. Then will the world enter on a new stage of history—the final competition of races, for which the Anglo-Saxon is being schooled. Long before the thousands millions are here, the mighty centrifugal tendency inherent in this stock and strengthened in the United States, will assert itself. Then, this race of unequaled energy, with all the majesty of numbers, and the might of wealth behind it—the representative, let us hope, of the largest liberty, the purest christianity, the highest civilization—having developed peculiar aggressive traits calculated to impress its institutions upon mankind, will spread itself over the earth. And can anyone doubt that the result of the competition of races will be the survival of the fittest? It is not reasonable to believe that this race is destined to dispossess many weaker ones, assimilate others and mould the remainder, until, in a very true and important sense, it has Anglo-Saxonized mankind?"

Here is the supposed future fact in unvarnished terms set forth. The historical case of disposession in the scripture was based upon moral grounds and not upon smallness of numbers, nor even upon political reasons. The scriptures teach not competition of races for social conquests, but co-operation of between the weak and the strong for the regeneration of mankind in the New Kingdom.

This creed so fully set forth here is the quintessence of brutality and barbarism and stands diametrically opposed to the universal Biblical principle of brotherhood one cannot resist the questions. Where is Christianity? What is to be its final effect upon racial and National character?

Characterize it as we may, or even lament the very existence of this economical and political maxim, there it stands, "the survival of the fittest." The question is now asked, can the Negro survive? Has he the elements of the fittest in him? I care not for the old, senseless question, who are the colored people? or the still more senseless one, from whom did the Negro spring. The man that asks that question to-day is still in swaddling bands of infancy or is woefully in ancient darkness.

The living question that has force today and that commands the respectful hearing of the thoughtful is, which way? Not whence, but whither? Not whether he sprung from the monkey or the gorilla, but is his face towards the East and does his step indicate the majesty and swing of a man? Not who is he, but what does he do? It is well, moreover, that the Negro himself should seek out the thriving questions and begin an investigation that shall result in positive good to himself and to the rest of mankind. It is not without significance that in these recent days the thought of the world has been turned to questions of racial efficiency and social history of mankind. The question of the intellectual superiority of the races can not be settled by a superficial comparison of present day results. The infant and inexact science of ethnology has thus far arrived at no trustworthy conclusions respecting this fact. Kidd, quoting the distinguished French savant in this department of learning, De Quatrefages, says: "There can be no real relation between the dimensions of the cranial capacity and social development. But as social development is taken by the author to imply a corresponding intellectual development, the two being often used as interconvertible terms by anthropologists, he finds himself, therefore, driven to the remarkable conclusion that the evidence generally seems to establish beyond a doubt the fact, which already clear results from a comparison of different races, namely, that the development of the intellectual faculties of man is to a great extent independent of the capacity of the cranium and the volume of the brain."

This is a remarkable statement in view of the emphasis laid upon craniology by certain writers to prove the superiority of one race over another. Even Kidd himself accepts upon evolutionary grounds such conclusions, and quoting Mr. Edward Bellamy upon "Nationalism" says: "All that man produces to-day more than did his cave-dwelling ancestors he produces by virtue of the accumulated achievements, inventions and improvements of the intervening generations, together with the social and industrial machinery which is their legacy; and, further, 999 parts out of the thousand of every man's product are the result of his social inheritance and environment. This is so, and it is, if possible, even more true of the work of our brains than of the work of our hands."

Further, it is well for the Negro to remember that the issue of the war is dead. The question of the equality of races, as familiarly understood, was foreign to it, and in fact the common interpretation of this threadbare and musty saying is groundless in reason, scripture and history. There is no such thing as a perfect equality of races and individuals. The true or native equality of men, as rationally and Biblically interpreted in biology, philosophy, reason, and scripture is that all men are natively and equally endowed with the essentials of humanity and of divinity.

[CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.]

THE
DRIFT OF
SENTIMENTS

Bryan is still migrating about the country telling what he doesn't know about "free silver." We pray for the ides of November that we may stand off and see the American people stop his mouth with an avalanche of McKinley and Hobart ballots.—Budget-Messenger.

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Every few days the Popocratic organs announce with great flourish the name of some gold miner who has declared for free silver. Why should not all gold miners hustle for a free coinage law? As soon as it should be passed their produce would go to a premium, and in no event could legislation by this country lower its value.—Memphis Scimitar.

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The lynching industry for some cause or other has undergone a marvelous shrinkage during the season of politics. At last accounts colored victims were enjoying somewhat of a respite and white men and women are taking their turn. Well, the reign of law and order may supercede the present regime soon, not later than the coming 4th of March.—Christian Recorder.

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We believe that there never was a time when the American people should study the power and force of the ballot more than now. Certainly there never was a time when the great interest of our country stood in greater danger than now. The Republican party arose and put down the rebellion of 1860-65. The Republican party must put down the revolt of 1896.—American Citizen.

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Colored editors print too many senseless compliments about each other. The space they fill with compliments could be filled to advantage and profit with news. It is disgusting to read the following 52 weeks in the year: "Editor Blank of the Boston Blowhard is publishing the leading Negro paper in the world." Whereupon the compliment is returned by Editor Blank who says that "Editor Space, of the Washington Windbag, is the greatest Negro editor living."—Leavenworth Herald.

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The Grand Old Man of all the English speaking world, is once again the spokesman of all Christendom. The conscience of modern civilization is behind his firm voice in its arraignment of the "Assassin" of Constantinople before the high court of humanity. It is no longer possible for the diplomats to pooh-pooh Gladstone's trumpet-blasts against Turkey as Quixotic ravings due to an exaggerated notion concerning the real Turkish crimes. The diplomats are wrong; Mr. Gladstone is right. The Sultan has screened himself too long behind his apologists.—Philadelphia Record.

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In a recent address Prof. H. L. Price, principal of Cuney Academy, in Texas, said: "As a financier, the Negro is destined to make his mark. They pay taxes on $200,000,000 worth of property; they own and operate two banks in Washington, D. C., and one in Chattanooga, Tenn. One Negro woman in California owns eight houses, a ranch and $100,000 worth of bonds; F. Gomex and son own the largest manufacturing establishment in Alabama. The great bridges at Eufaula, Ala., and Columbus, Ga., were planned by a Negro name Phillip King. In several cities Negroes own whole blocks covered with four and five story brick buildings. John McKee, of Philadelphia, owns 400 houses and is worth more than $1,000,000. In nearly every large town in the United States we find well established grocery stores and drug stores, and in many of them flourishing dry goods stores. These are mere straws which show which way the Negro's financial wind is blowing."—Victoria (Tex.) Guide.

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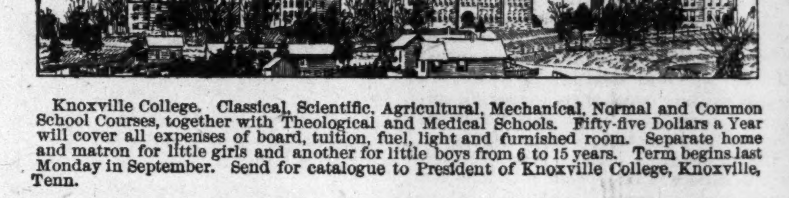

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> —Prof. I. Garland Penn.

CHAPTER XXIV.

T was a cold, stormy morning, the first Monday in January, 1845, after I had been in jail twenty-three days, when I was tried. It was one of those mornings when a person's mind would be between hope and fear; one minute the sun would shine out and the next minute the sky would be darkened with clouds and the sun hid from sight, and the next, rain would pour down. My mind worked in the same way, until at last the rain continued to fall, and hope, I confess, fled. The white people for miles around had been coming to the court house all the morning, and the tavern and court yard were full. Colonel Langston came up to my room and had a long talk. About 10:30 the jail-keeper came up and told me to get ready. I dressed in a black suit I bought when in New York, and which they had let my folks send me and walked to the court house, a few feet away. On both sides were armed men, and any one would have concluded that there were a thousand wild Indians coming out of the jail instead of one man with handcuffs. A few colored friends and my mother had ventured out, but were kept about five hundred feet from the court house by the constables, for fear, they said, my friends would make an attempt to rescue me. This precaution was hardly needful as they were mostly women, and of course unarmed. The only person of color in the court house was my brother Charles who had resolved to go in and hear the trial, but Tom Grissome, the high sheriff, saw him, and at once locked him up in the jail until the trial was over. When the trial commenced, the Commonwealth's attorney made a long speech (his name was Hupet) in which he said I was at the head of a plot, far more dangerous than that of Nat Turner's, and showed the letters that Corprew had received to prove that his words were true. He also said that the letters had been written by white detectives in New York, which we knew was untrue, who had for months been watching my actions. He was followed by Col. Langston, who was a brave, good man, with a noble and strong voice. He was about six feet high and looked down upon Hupet as he spoke. For one hour and three quarters he spoke, pulling apart, piece by piece the indictment and the Commonwealth's attorney's argument, the result of which I was discharged a little after sunset, and Charles and I went to Cousin James Cuffee's house and stayed all night.

The next morning I went home and was joyfully received by my mother. I wanted brother Charles to go after my bed, but his fears would not let him, so I got a cart and went myself the next day. Thinking my troubles were all over, I went to work to gather some outstanding corn that had not been housed. I was quite a distance from the house and I was alone, the others having gone with carts of corn to the barn. It was on the third day after the trial, and I saw a white man by the name of David Ives coming toward me with a dog and gun. As we had been play boys together and he a relative of the Mr. Ives of whom I have spoken, I thought nothing of it until he tapped me on the back and said, pointing his gun at my head, "Willis, you are my prisoner. I feel sorry for you, but as a special constable I have got to do my duty." I asked what was the matter now. Ives told me he did not know; that old Tom Grissom, the high sheriff, and Col. Whitehouse (one of the drunken magistrates of whom I have spoken) had caused my arrest, and that there were 10 or 12 men down the road waiting for him to bring me down. When I got down the road I saw several men well known to me, with a horse and cart. When we arrived at the store at "Pokety," as the place of old Tom Grissom's was called, he pulled out two letters and Whitehouse one. They asked me if I had seen them (which was a very foolish question, as the letters had just arrived at the store, which was the country postoffice). I said I had not. "Well, they are dangerous letters, and were sent to you from New York." He drew himself up to his full height and said, "I opened them as high sheriff of Princess Anne county for the people's good. I wish they had arrived sooner, so we could have had them at the trial. Anyhow, we know it all now." I began to wonder what was in the letters, and asked for them. After thinking the matter over for some time they gave me the letters to read. One was from Miss B—— B——, the young lady school teacher; one from the Cuffee boys paying the money they had owed me so long, saying that they knew I needed it and expressing the hope that I would get out of my troubles (the money was gone out of the letter); and the last one was from my old friend Wm. L. Nichols, warning me to burn all letters and papers about abolition I might have, as a plot was on foot to get me into trouble. This letter was over three months old, and was, I have since learned, sent by hand to Norfolk by one of the colored stewards, who kept it in his pocket from either fear or neglect, and at last mailed it from New York to Princess Anne county.

I asked for some one to go after brother Charies and tell him to go at once to Norfolk for Col. Langston. Old Tom Grissome said: "You will soon be able to tell him yourself, but I don't think he will be able to go to Norfolk for you to-day, as we have arrested him and by now he is in jail." It turned out that they had locked brother Charles up. It required a bench of two or three magistrates to examine me, and Whitehouse being unable to get any one to sit in judgment with him sent me to jail. That night I found myself in the cell from which three days before I was liberated. I must confess that my heart failed me, and hope, that bright guiding star, was hid from my skies and I felt like Job of old. My brother, who was always nervous and timid, felt and looked far worse than myself. We tried to picture what our home looked like without a man on the place to do a hand's turn. That night my brother's wife came to see him, and I told her to get some one to go to Norfolk after Col. Langston, and to also inform cousin James Cuffee of our lot. She did as I directed. Col. Langston made them give us a hearing. They had nothing at all against brother Charles, and arrested him only "to be on the safe side," they said, and let him go. Our lawyer made them admit me to bail, and cousin James Cuffee went on my bond and we all three went home. We had a prayer meeting that night (strictly private), and returned thanks to God that it was as well with us as it was. All my friends wanted me to run away to New York or Canada before the trial came off, as they were sure that this time I would be convicted. I was too honorable to do this. I would not forfeit my bail and leave cousin James and the rest of the people of color in Princess Anne, both the bond and the free, to suffer perhaps for years on account of my cowardice. So I resolved to stand the storm and trust in God.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

AN ADDRESS DELIVERED

By J. Pendergrass at the Douglass Literary Society, Lagrange, Tex.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—We have met this afternoon in the memory of the one Frederick Douglass, whose career on earth was of such that caused his name to be immortalized. We have come, not to do any good to the departed spirit of him who was once looked upon as one of the greatest men ever lived, irrespective of race, color or previous condition, but we have come simply to eulogize, or to pay a tribute of honor in memory of him. The goddess earth, mother of Thaumas, Ceto, and other mythological creatures may have brought forth one who was as great or greater than Frederick Douglass, but mythology failed to show. What can be said of the good deeds or acts of him for whose cause we come to commemorate? Does the good that men do live after their departure? So it is with the mighty acts, deeds and words which have been performed, done and spoken by the ever memorable Douglass shall live, have lived and are still living in the hearts of his countrymen, as do the words of the immortal George Washington. We cannot find words that would fitly characterize the life of our much beloved Douglass, for the simple fact of our being imperfect in language to express.

Again I say that we have come with sad hearts to pay a respect of memory in behalf of the life of the immortal Douglass. Though many of us have never seen his face, yet we are too well acquainted with his life from history. I need not tell you of his station, because you know too well the story, but only suffice us, at this crisis, to know that we are trying to bring about to your memory and knowledge the living and the dying of one of the greatest, or I will venture to say the greatest that ever lived. The life of Douglass is but an example for us. Though we may not be able to pass through the many vicissitudes as did Douglass, we can say safely that they are only stepping stones to the prominent positions he did fill. We must ourselves live such lives as to show that we are worthy of these privileges. We must live in deeds not words. When we look at the good acts of our immortal Douglass, we, in some instances, may envy the stations or positions that our contemporaries hold, but we need not do such, for upon the heart of every man that has reached the topmost round of the ladder of honor and distinction had inscribed upon their hearts in bold print this motto:

> "Life is before us from the fated road
> We cannot turn; then take we up the load.
> Not ours to tread nor leave the unknown way;
> We must go over it, meet what we may;
> Gird up our souls within us to the deeds;
> Angels and fellow spirits bid your speed."

Alas! the scene of Douglass' life were ebbing to a close, and to him all nature bows in deepest humiliation, checked his career, and life was giving away to eternity, and all that was mortal remained to be seen. May ever it be an epitah indefacably carved by the skillful touch of a sculptor, these words "Res quet in pace." And now may God raise up some man, equal in talent and ambition to the never-forgotten Douglass, that the world may look upon with pride and say that the one champion of the Negro is in the grave but there is no other equally as good and worthy to be followed.

Race Gleanings.

Springfield, Mass., wants an Afro-American dentist.

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M. E. Singleton, an Afro-American of Omaha, Neb., is a candidate for the legislature.

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The Afro-Americans of Wilson Co., Tenn., will hold their second annual fair Oct. 2nd and 3rd at Watertown.

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Peter H. Tucker, an Afro-American of Atlantic City, N. J., is a prosperous real estate broker, constable and detective.

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It is said that there are seven Negro colleges, 3,500 Afro-American teachers, and 263,803 colored pupils in the state of Georgia.

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The ushers of the orchestra chairs attached to the Broad street theatre, Philadelphia, Pa., are Afro-Americans, also the gentleman who presides at the ticket box for the family circle is a Negro.

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The first Negro, and also the first Philadelphian to become a Catholic in the Nineteenth Century was Cæsar Ducombe, a Negro slave. He was received into St. Augustine church by Rev. Father Carr in 1800.

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Dr. John C. Norwood, president of the National Steamboat Co., has been elected president of the North Carolina State Association of Republicans. He is the first colored president of the association. The local office of association is at 2118 Eighth street, Washington, D. C.

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Rev. M. W. Gilbert, A. M., founder of the Baptist Academy at Jacksonville, Fla., and pastor of the First African Baptist church in Savannah, Ga., has been elected to the chair of history and political science in State Normal and Industrial College of South Carolina, located at Orangeburg.

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Mrs. B. K. Bruce, wife of ex-Senator Bruce, will deliver a lecture or lecturers to the students and teachers of Tuskegee Normal School some time during the month of October. Mrs. Bruce is one of the most cultured and refined women of the race, and Tuskegee is most fortunate in securing her.

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Rev. R. B. Brooks, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, and Major P. W. Bryant, a prominent colored lawyer, both of Key West, Fla., delivered the opening speeches of the campaign at that place under the auspices of the Monroe County Campaign Committee. Both made splendid hits for the principles of the party.

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R. E. Stewart, who is editor of the Langston City Herald, and is county clerk of Langston City, Oklahoma, says that the colored people are doing well in Oklahoma, Langston City, named in honor of ex-Haytien Minister John M. Langston of Virginia, is a flourishing city, and is officered and managed by colored men.

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Mrs. Mason, wife of Prof. W. J. Mason of Galveston, and daughter of Bishop Arnett was ejected from a Pullman car on the Iron Mountain railroad recently while en route home from Xenia, O. She held an inter-state ticket, and the company will be prosecuted. The cause was color prejudice.

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Although members of colored Masonic bodies are received in full fellowship by white Masons in England, in this country, as is well known, there has been a marked line between the races, the white Masons not recognizing the so-called Masonic lodges of the colored people. What is said to be the first break in this attitude of the white Masons is the reported action of the supreme council of the Scottish Rite Masons of the thiry-third degree for the state of Louisiana, in officially recognizing the colored Masons of that state. It is quite significant that the action should first be taken in a former slaveholding community.

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"To a certain extent it was," said the banker. "That is to say, no man used to the methods of a nation with an unstable currency can be expected to grasp at once the character of a financial system that has the exactness of a science. But there really is nothing astonishing about it. The great secret of national success, of governmental security in these days, is universal confidence in the financial solidity of that country.

"England has been firmly fixed on a gold basis for so long a time that her credit throughout the commercial world is absolutely established.

"With free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 adopted in America, every silver mine with an ounce of ore left in it would be worked to its fullest capacity, and you would have silver dollars as plentiful as oak leaves, and just about as valuable. It is absurd to say that the increase of prices would have the effect of forcing silver up to a parity with gold when the silver is debased to but the moiety of its bullion value. On the contrary, the effect of this radical change in financial policy would be to place the United States in a most disadvantageous relation to the European nations of first class commercial power. It is only the grossest ignorance of the state of international commerce and finance that permits any one to contend that any country is sufficient unto itself in these days. One of the candidates—is his name Bryan?—is reported to have said something about mankind being nailed to a cross of gold. Now, do you know that phrase mongering is usually the employment, if not the evidence, of a fanciful as distinguished from a rational mind? (By the way, so many of your politicians are ingenious orators, and so few of them are tolerable financiers.) Well, your silverite orator should bear in mind this irrefutable fact, that a sound, honest and limited financial basis has invariably been the foundation of great national prosperity and the advance of civilization. Nothing is more necessary to the internal prosperity of a nation nowadays than the universal trust which unfaltering financial integrity alone can insure.

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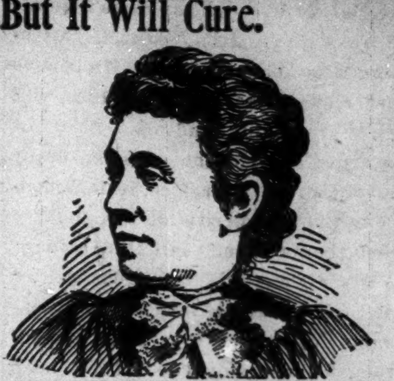

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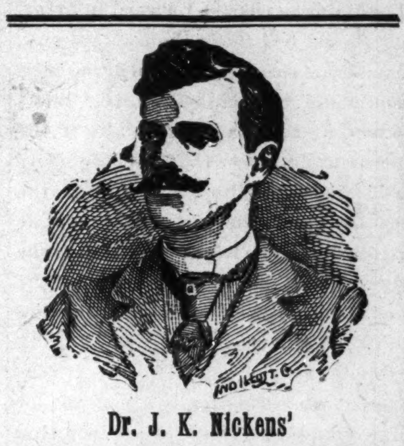

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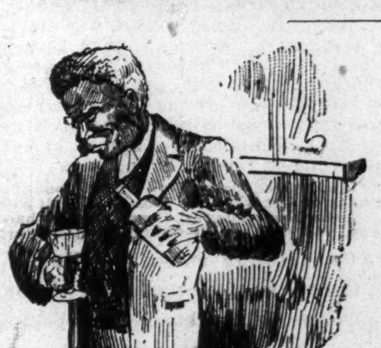

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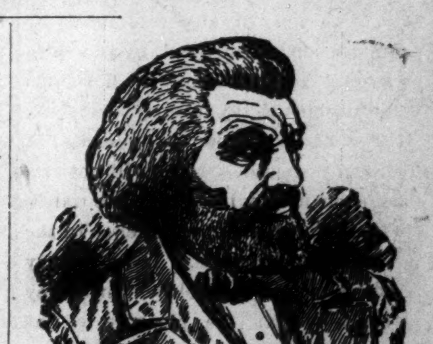

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SIEVER IS NOT THE POOR MAN'S FRIEND.

The World, of this city, our colored contemporary, is enthusiastic for Bryan and free silver, and thinks it has reasons for its faith. It clings to the theory that silver is the poor man's friend, and since the race is among those that are not blessed with a superabundance of wealth, it should lean toward the new craze. The poor man's friend is a seductive term; but it is misleading. The free coinage of silver theory has been fairly exploded. There is nothing in the nature of things existing that can give substantial value to a quantity when that actual quantity is lacking. We can conceive of no unvarying value that can be given to any commodity or product that is governed by the rules of supply and demand. A fictitious value supported by the government, is viewed with suspicion by capital at home and abroad. Men will not embark their money in enterprises unless they have unshaken confidence in the medium of exchange. If all money is not convertible into the best money of the world at the pleasure of the holder, and at par, it would take a courageous person to take that portion, which at any moment, may loose a part of its value. Mr. Bryan draws upon his imagination when he says that the free and unlimited coinage of silver would create an immediate demand, thus forcing silver up to the egal ratio of 16 to 1. It is not within the scope of Mr. Bryan's discerning powers to avow that silver would be forced up to $1.29 per ounce. Admitting that the demand would increase the price, it would take an acute prophet to fix the exact bounds of the upward tendency. The burden of Mr. Bryan's speeches is that we can act independent of other nations. In other words, he avers that this country can set the pace. At the very best, the theory would be experimental if put into practice. He doubtless relies upon the ability of the government to be such a silver using factor that it will be able to dictate the market price of silver for the world. We have much faith in the greatness of our country, but we do not think the whole commercial world is willing to be regulated from Washington, especially without consent or agreement. We believe that sileer, like other product, will assert her rights and consent to be governed only by the laws of supply and demand. Therefore, it is a menace to the prosperity of the country when the free and unlimited coinage of silver theory is agitated. Mexico has been repeatedly held up as an example of what the condition, if brought about, would do. If the cheap money idea obtains, it has been shown that high prices will prevail, but labor prices would not rise correspondingly. Wages are low enough, colored men, this threatening innovation promises to lower them still. Those who depend upon their daily toil should look well before they allow the jingle of the poor man's money theory have an attraction for them.

OPTIMISM.

In conversing with an accomplished lady of this city, principal of one of the largest schools, and who, by the way, will not allow her name to appear in print, we were agreeably surprised at her ideas of the character of a newspaper, a race paper, which of course does not attempt to give the daily news. She holds that race deformities should not be rushed forward in print, but should be held in the back ground. The deeds of the viciously inclined should not be paraded, as that tends to help fix the exaggerated idea in the surrounding races, that far too many are viciously inclined. The good, the beautiful and the virtuous should be extolled only. Right and duty, she says, should be the watchwords. "I would not be swerved to do the wrong thing, should that wrong thing bring me popularity," says she. It is very evident what she says is not meant for high sounding phraes. It is held that those who lean towards the beautiful side of life, a life serene and calm, unruffled by various passions, will certainly give testimony to the same in their physiognomy—facial expressions. The lady in question is an example of the theory, for her mental beauty is not exceeded by her physical beauty. Those who are worried by mental turpitude, conflict of passions and duty, the war of desire and right have the same indelibly stamped in their physical contour. The face, as a rule, is a safe index as to character, is no new thought, but it needs to be emphasized. Furthermore, the cultivation—the subduing of the passions mean the cultivation of these indices to character. It may not be within the scope of all to be Minervas or Appolo Belvederes, but there will arise that ineffable something in the expression born out of the mastry o'er the passions, when such a victory is registered on the proper side.

"The Republican State convention of Texas met in Ft. Worth, Tex., Sept. 8th, and contrary to expectation and hope, N. W. Cuney was defeated all along the line. The Grant force developed unexpected strength and C. W. Ferguson, Cuney's rival, was elected temporary chairman over Cuney himself. The Conservator regrets Cuney's defeat, but can clearly see that this is one of the straws which show that every wind blows McKinleyward. The Dallas Express, one of the strongest Cuney organs, says:

"'The Express staked its fortune upon the triumph of Cuney at Ft. Worth. He fell and it fell with him. They say it was done for harmony. We shall see.'"—Chicago Conservator.

After knowing more of the Hon. N. W. Cuney, we feel that after the St. Louis episode, the hatchet was buried so far as McKinley was concerned. This late defeat to us, at this distance, appears, as the result of rivalry for the control of affairs in the state of Texas. It was either Grant or Cuney; fortune was on Grant's side. We can not conceive that he had motives against the Republican nominee as might be inferred. We presume like all state conventions, the "push" and "pull" was there.

Hon. John M. Langston and Dr. Ernest Lyon will assist the Eastern dsvision of the National Committee as members of the advisory board. This movement grows in popularity. Mr. Langston has long been before the public as an honored member of his race. Dr. Lyon is a new man, but he comes full of honors; the result of his ability. He will doubtless make a valued member of this committee.

The pulling down of the temples of justice is a tenet from the Bryanic creed.

WE'LL MEET AGAIN.

BY AUGUSTUS M. HODGES, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

A loving wife is snatched by death,
A christian woman, mother kind
Has left my home and babes behind.
I ask, with sorrow laden breath:
"Oh! shall we meet beyond this shore?"
Yes! Hope and faith both give belief
We'll meet again—O, sweet relief—
We'll meet in heaven to part no more.

KNOW NO COLOR.

BY DR. M. A. MAJORS, DECATUR ILL.

[Written after reading the news of Harvard College conferring the degree of A. M. on Prof. Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee, Ala.]

No words now penned by modest men
Of Harvard's deeds, are greater
Than giving Washington the pen
To make distinguished letters.
She more than did a double part
To us poor men of color;
And we, to-day, with willing heart,
Must join the ranks and follow.

Our Booker Washington now stands
With leading men of letters,
Of North and South, yea, foreign lands,
He ranks among the better.
His reaching high, lifts all the race
To heights where mankind measures
The worth, where all may take his place;
The place where souls are treasures.

They measured him by his broad soul,
And record well his station;
They took into account the whole
Life work, for his poor nation.
He filled the bill, in every case,
They gave to him his letters;
He nodded with his kindly grace,
And strides now free from fetters.

Oh Harvard! thou has done a thing,
Proud University, college,
That makes thy name in all ears ring
Great factory of knowledge.
Thy name so dear to every ear,
Will give to Negroes thirsting;
We are coming steady, don't you hear?
We are "crawling, working, bursting."

Thy welcome sign, "come climb the heights"
And greet; "we know no color;"
Will teach our race where are the rights,
If we've the nerve to follow.
We'll climb and work, forgetting face,
If that's the prize and treasure;
Through merit thou shalt know no race,
If man's the mould for measure.

God grant thy days be bright, and long,
For this ennobling token;
We thirst for music, loud and strong,
'Twould better be, than spoken.
The nations round should know full well
What honor does for merit;
A jubilee chorus might gladly tell
They'd have the world to cheer it.

ARRAYING CLASSES.

"Mr. Bryan's speeches have been so full that they do not leave much that is new for him to say in his letter of acceptance, on the primary issue of the campaign. He has, therefore, taken it as an opportunity to put before the country his views of the secondary questions which are treated in the Chicago platform. He tries to put it and himself right with those timid souls, who think that a denial of the national government to supercede state authority in putting down violence, means 'free riot.' He, of course, is as much for the enforcement of the law as anyone; but he insists on the adequacy of the means provided by the Constitution for that purpose, without directly impeaching Mr. Cleveland's course. It is rather noticeable that it is only when property is in danger that the authority of the national government is brought into activity for such a purpose, to the evident stretching of the authority granted it by the Constitution. We never see it in activity when it is a question of lynching Chinese, Italians or Negroes. It is on behalf of corporations that the lawyers in and out of the Presidential chair are most exercised, and are most ready to discover that the states have no right to insist on constitutional restrictions."—The American, (free silver.)

"Still harping on my daughter." An elastic conscience is the inference here. "We never see it in activity when it is a question of lynching Chinese, Italians or Negroes"—corporations are in jeopardy say they. We can not yield to those behest that demand the divorcement of capital and labor. The freaks of labor when entrusted with power has been attended with disastrous consequences. We hold they are best fitted to govern who have been taught in that school. We do not endorse the iron heel of oppression, nor has this fair land known such circumstances since the Constitution stood vindicated in its assertion that all men are created free and equal. We still have an abiding faith in those who built the ship of state:

"Thou, too, sail on, oh ship of state!
Sail on, oh union strong and great;
Humanity with all its fears,
With all its hopes of future years
Is hanging breathless on thy fate.

We know what master laid thy keel,
What workman wrought thy ribs of steel,
Who made each mast and sail and rope,
What anvils rang, what hammers beat,
In what a forge and what a heat
Were shaped the anchored of thy hope.

Fear not each sudden sound and shock;
'Tis of the wave, and not the rock."

Mr. Longfellow was doubtless in a poetical mood when he penned those admirable lines. We will stick to the ship, knowing full well that the builders will be undone at our undoing.

THE COLORED VOTERS.

In a few weeks more the contest for gold or silver supremacy will be decided. Two millions of colored voters, baring incidental disfranchisement, will, like the other races of this country, cast their verdict on the issues of the day. Out of this two millions Bryan and free silver may get a measly ten thousand votes, which makes their votes practically unanimous. This has been the oft repeated history of this race since it received its manumission papers. Occasionally in local politics, when party spirit burns low, when other races renounced parties and swears allegiance to men, they have gone with the drift. But they have never gone beyond redemption. No county, state nor community can boast of such rigid adherence to party ties by any of its people. A devotion to Republicanism is attended with religious fervor. Party defeat, party duplicity nor party contempt has not to any degree shaken the confidence imposed in the Republican party. Yet on many occasions he is referred to as ungrateful. The word has no meaning in his political lexicon. He has been courageous for his party since his tongue began to lisp recognizable sounds. He knows it as the monk knows his rosary. All other parties to him is mere idolatry—his party is orthodox, all others heretical. He is a stalwart. No one attempts to read him out of his party, except at odd moments a fellowman, jealous of his advances, strikes him down from the rear; however, the fall is but momentary, he is up again and swears by the gods of the Republican party.

"O, for a faith like this."

Whatever they should be charged with, it should not be ungratefulness. It is not to be inferred that he should be treated with indifference on account of his well known fealty. He should be taken into confidence as Mark Hanna, sagacious Hanna is doing. He should be made to feel that they are a welcome faction to the general party. He should be garnered as carefully for the future as he has been in the past. We believe on the whole, the party managers are trying to make him feel that his services are wanted and needed. He should be loved and courted for past efficiency. High tide of hope should not disbar him from the general fellowship that exists often at stranding tides. He should not be taught a meaning to the word ungrateful. We feel that it is the high noon of Republican hopes. The colored man wants to be in at the death of the free silver party. Make the colored voter feel at home!

The Colored American speaks with the utmost freedom as to the worthiness of Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia. It says:

"It is highly gratifying to know that he has acquainted himself so creditable and performed the functions of his office with such consummate ability. All classes of our best citizens and more particularly those who have been brought in close contact with Mr. Taylor's office in a business way, must attest the excellence of the system that prevails there, and the splendid efficiency of his administration."

After all it is quite a question whether the race can ever afford to cast aspersions on its distinguished men, except when the proprieties are grossly invaded. These attacks, generally born of unvented spleen, serve more often as a boomerang than anything else. The old saying of Franklin should be kept in the foreground: "We must hang together or hang separately."

We appreciate the note made of our rejoinder in the Dr. Henderson controversy by our contemporary, The World, which acknowledged the dissent of our views, but compliments our respectful tone. The milk of human kindness is not dried up in our breasts, and if we have done the graceful thing, yet holding dissimilar views on the subject in question, we acknowledge most graciously our heartfelt appreciation for the discovery of the dawn of affairs that allows a respectful demurr unattended by ill consequences.

"The two Freedman's Bureaux at Chicago and New York are thus far rather tame affairs."—Colored American.

The Negro departments to the National Committee are all right. They are doing as much as was expected of them. They did not contract to move heaven and earth. We fear a method in this madness—this charge of tameness by Mr. Cooper, of Washington, D. C.

The Negro Department of the National Committee report a great work in progress.

KcKinley and Hobart are the prophets to swear by.

The Herculean club, of this city, will soon have a national reputation. It has already had many speakers of note to appear before them, including Hons. H. C. Smith, of Cleveland; Gurley Brewer, of Mt. Vernon; R. B. Bagby, G. L. Jones, Octavius Royal and W. H. Jackson, of this city.

When great interests are at stake, when false theories seek to seduce the people, and when light, more light is the cry of the illusioned millions, the people seek the man, and not the man the people.—McKinley.

The plank on lynching in the Republican platform is a plea in behalf of the Negroes as the element that are generally the victims of mob rule.

The Freeman gives you news from every quarter of the globe. Read it, become acquainted with the world.

"Just tell them that you saw me."—Mr. B. after the ides of November.

Gold, if good enough for England and other first rate powers, is none too good for us.

Colored men are competent to help push things along.—Marcus Aurelius Hanna.

Read the reliable old Freeman, conceded the greatest Negro journal on earth.

The arraying of class against class is not American. Bryan is at this trick.

I do all the talking myself, for none are so talkative as I.—Bryan.

The Freeman, like wine, grows in excellence as it grows in age.

Cheap dollars, high nations, stationary wages.—Bryan.

Maine is an index to the Republican hopes in November.

I am in the educating business myself. The world is my oyster.—Bryan.

The mills and not the mints.—McKinley.

No, Mr. B— we can't run the thing alone, there are others.

Baptists for McKinley.

A Special from St. Louis says: On the 21st, one thousand delegates took part in the opening exercises of the sixth day's session of the National Baptist Convention, conducted by Rev. George W. Bowling of Kentucky, and Charles Stewart of Chicago. President E. C. Morris of Arkansas presided. The report of the committee on the state of the country, which was unanimously adopted, indorsed William McKinley for President of the United States.

Resolutions were adopted, denouncing separate coach law in the Southern States and instructing the secretary to notify the railroads that unless they join in with them in getting the law repealed they would discontinue holding annual meetings in Southern States and have the business transacted by executive boards, and would also discontinue excursions among the people. Boston was selected for the convention in September 1897

Organized a McKinley Club.

Winchester. Tenn., Special.

Quite an enjoyable evening was passed in the parlor of Prof. D. A Townsend. The guests present were Messrs. E. P Trimble, D. C., J. C. Miller, and Master Horace D. Slater. The charming manners of the two Misses Townsend made the evening quite pleasant. Music was rendered and the evening passed quickly. We are glad to welcome Miss Lucy McMurray home again. We regret the absence of Prof. Townsend. A Mckinly and Hobart club has been organized, and many of our prominent citizens are taking an active part. Quite a large crowd was present at the Y. M. C. A. to hear the subject "Consecration to God" discussed. Many members took an active part. All were delighted with the minstrel performance given in the interest of the band, the proceeds of which were $7. News of interest thankfully received by Horace D Slater.

Personal Mention.

Henderson, Ky., Special.

Van Davis, who has been spending his vacation in Chicago, is in the city visiting his father. W. J. Bryan, Democratic candidate for President, addressed an immense crowd of people on the 14th. Mrs. Rosa Smith Starling has returned from Lexington, after a five weeks' visit to her aunt, Mrs. Ella Henderson. Jefferson Browne, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Browne, has returned to his home in Louisville. Miss Fanny Watson, formerly of this city, but now of Evansville, Ind., is teaching school at Authoston. Mrs. L. D. C. Browne has returned to Louisville after a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. E. H. Browne. The public schools opened on the 7th with an unusually large attendance. Mrs. Laura P. Allen, who has been the gueat of her sister, Mrs. Dr. O'Neal, has returned to her home in Nashville, Tenn., after a two months visit here. Miss Mollie Brooks is teaching school at Silver Lake, Henderson county. Mrs. Kate Cabell-Blackshear, of Columbus, Tenn., will spend the winter with her mother, Mrs. Peter Cabell. Miss Sarah Watson, of Evansville, Ind., spent Sunday in the city the guest of her brother, Cornelius Watson. Mrs. Richard Alves after a long illness died on the 9th inst. "The Household of Ruth," of which she was a member, turned out in a body.

Celebrated His Anniversary.

Shelbyville, Tenn, Special.

Peter Evans' eyes are much better. Mrs. Dr. M. Evans, who was injured some time ago, is on the mend. Rev. James H. Turner is doing some work at the carpenter's trade. Rev. H. E. Harris celebrated the anniversary of his one year's pastorate of the Mt. Zion Baptist church. It was a grand time with them. Rev. J. K. Richards has quite a revival going on just out of the city. His entertainment a few nights ago was grand. Mrs. T. T. Ransome likes the Negro Encyclopedia very much. Prof. P. W. Patterson has returned. Prof. C. H. S. Darnell was in town on the 19th. Miss Minnie Greer has returned from Nashville. Prof. A. C. Raimey was in the city on business last Saturday. James Gilliland is doing some stone work out of the city. T. W. Warner a first class merchant, is on a visit to his children at Cincinati. A few miles out of town Casro Jennings found a sack floating in a pond, it contained coffee, lard, new tin bucket, clothing and other things. J. F. Boyd has had his mill repaired. Rev. Richard Nowlen was in the city last Sunday. Get The Freeman at W. H. Goslings' and keep posted; it has all the latest news of the race.

Married Ladies Entertain.

Hamilton, Ohio, Special.

The young married ladies' club gave its first meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nixon, on Burnett Street. Music and games were the pastimes, after which a fine lunch was served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Conway, Mrs. Percy Cousins, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Obie Rile and Frank Pace. Mrs. J. Berryman attended the Hunter-Belle wedding at Dayton, the 10th. Rev. Thornton Morris, of Indianapolis, is here trying to organize a Baptist church. Eleven dollars and forty-six cents was collected by the Sunday-school for the endowment fund for Wilberforce. Mr. T. Sampson was called to Jessimo, Ky., by the serious illness of his father.

American Fruit Co.

Readers of The Freeman will find an interesting advertisment of the American Fruit Co., in another column of this issue. This company owns a valuable piece of property in Houston county, Georgia, with 160,000 earliest growing fruit trees and is composed entirely of northern investors in Indianapolis and vicinity. They invite our colored friends to join with them. Shares are $100 each, but are now sold for only $78 each; payable fifty cents a week or as you choose to pay. After payment of $35 the earnings of the company can pay out balance, if members prefer, costing a trifle more. Nearly a million dollars is now invested in this particular location. Over 2,000 colored people find renuerative employment among the orchards. Three railroads for shipping facilities, three canning companies, saw mills, crate factory and the company's orchard is within two miles of Perry, county seat, five miles of Ft. Valley and Marshallville, all prosperous towns. A neat illustrated book is given free to all at the office of American Fruit Co., room 3, 36 West Washington street. The company is offering a very safe and highly profitable investment. They ship all their fruit direct to New York, Boston and the eastern cities.

Endowment Day.

Fayetteville, Tenn., special.

The summer term of the free school closed on the 25th, Mrs. Harriet B. McChristian principal, vice W. N. Deberry resigned. Mr. Deberry left on the 18th, to attend Oberlin where he will study for the ministry. Endowment day was observed at the A. M. E. church last Sunday. The following ladies read papers, Miss Mary Rhodes, "Why should our Young people be educated?" Miss Georgia McDonald, "How shall we retain our young people in the Sabbath school." Mrs. H. B. McChristian, "The educational interest in the A. M. E. church." All the exercises were good. There was baptising at the Baptist church last Sunday. Eight candidates went beneath the liquid wave. The famous Rev. R. Huffman. formerly of Nashville, was in town recently and preached at the Baptist church to quite a large audience. Rev. Tommy Branner, the boy evangelist, is up again. Mrs. Annie Steele, of Bedford county, spent a few days with relatives last week. Rev. B. A. J. Nixon, P. E., of the North Nashville district, preached at the Methodist church to a crowded house. He held the quarterly meeting conference on Monday night. The A. M. E.'s are preparing for a grand rally on the first Sunday in October for pastor's salary. Three clubs composed of all the classes, have been formed. Many persons are preparing to attend the annual conference at Shelbyville.

NEWS FROM THE BAY STATE

NEWSY NOTES GATHERED BY THE FREEMAN'S HUSTLING REPRESENTATIVE. MOVEMENTS

In Society. Deaths. The Public Schools to Open October 5. The Enterprise Society Entertain.

Meridian, Miss., special.

Mrs. Martha Davis died at her home on the 12th, and her funeral was largely attended, at the New Hope Baptist church, Sunday the 13th, at 3 o'clock, Rev. L. W. Watson preached the sermon. Messrs. Jesse Payne and George Shoemaker have just completed their improvement on the Lincoln school building. Mr. Chas. Good, a former resident of Meridian, has been visiting friends in the city. Prof. E. H. Triplett, president of the A. & M. college, at West-side, Miss., who has been visiting our city, has returned home.

Miss Addie J. Carter an employee of the Preacher & Teacher, at Kosciusko, Miss., has returned to her work.

Ben Johnson, a former resident of Meridian, but now of Memphis, Tenn', who has been in the city a few days, has returned to his home. F. M. McGroom who has been working in the colored pharmacy of Drs. Halmer and Mays for a weeks, has excepted a position with a firm in Texas. Rev. L. W. Watson, pastor New Hope Baptist church, left on the 14th, to visit Virginia. Rev. C. L. Harris pastor of the Congregational church has been very sick the past five weeks. Miss Sadie Harris, daughter of Rev. C. L. Harris, left on the 9th for Tougaloo, Miss., university. Little Mary Harris is quite sick. Mrs. Anna Henderson who has been visiting friends at Macon, Miss., is at home. Eddie Harris oldest son of Rev. C. L. Harris, left a few days ago to enter Tougaloo university. H. M. Triplett who has been working at Clarksville, Miss., has returned to the city, looking well. Dallas Jackson has been very sick the past few weeks. D. D. Gibbs, ex-deacon of New Hope Baptist church, died at his home in the west-end, on the evening of the 5th, at 6 o'clock; his funeral was largely attended at New Hobe Baptist church on Sunday the 6th, Rev. D. Griffin officiated. N. M. Brandom, city engineer, of Meridian, who was stroke with paralasys several weeks ago, died on Monday night Sept. 14th; several secret societies attended the funeral.

Miss Lulu McDonald who has been visiting friends and relatives, has returned to her home in Macon. Prof. O. C. Garrett who has been away from the city during the summer months returned to the city on the 17th. William Rhone who has been from the city for several years, returned to the city on the 13th. Miss Bennie Peterson left for her home on the 19th, in Vicksburg. Miss Nannie Harris, a graduate of Tougaloo university, was here on the 18th, and stopped with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, on 11th street. She went to Vossburg on the 19th. Mrs. A. E. Nelson and two children, who have been summering with her brother Daniel Webster, jr., at Kemper, has returned to the city. Mr. and Mrs W. Block entained their many friends on Friday night September 18th. The reception was grand; about fifty persons were present. They received a great many useful presents. J. C. Hill our young attorney who has been to Newton on legal business has returned. Ike Matthews who has been firing on the switch engine for the N. O. & N. E. road, died at his home in the country, on the 14th. Miss Alice Lillie who has been visiting the Misses Harrison, at Pushmatalia, Ala., has returned to the city. L. S. Nelson returned from Durant, Miss. Charlie Cook, a graduate of Tougaloo university, passed through the city, and was the guest of Mr. A. T. Washington. He left on the 20th for Mobile, Ala. Rev. Cassidy preached two very fine sermons at the New Hope Baptist church last Sunday. Mrs. Clairee Shoemake left Sunday, to visit her old home at Shubuta, Miss. Mrs. Eugenia Cotton left on the 19th, to visit her parents at Ramsey station, Ala., she is accompanied by her nephew Master Jake Lewis. F. R. Key, porter at Threefoot Bros. & Co., who has been very sick for several weeks, is able to be up. We learn that Miss Virginia Ramsey is teaching school at or near Selma, Ala.

Master Tom Ramsey whose leg was amputated a few weeks ago, is resting very well. Last Sunday Miss J. A. Gipson of the Congregational church rendered valuable assistance as organist at New Hope Baptist church. Mrs. Streety, mother of Mrs. Viola Holmes, from Friars Point, is visiting Meridian. The ladies of New Hope Baptist church have had the church papered. The Enterprise society gave a grand banquet at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ivy Parrish. Miss J. A. Gipson received the guest in a most pleasant way. Capt. Thos. Foster and Messrs. L. S. Nelson and T. Murray made short addresses. Hon. J. C. Hill, president of the Baptist Young People's union talked on temperance to the Christian Endeavors recently. The Meridian academy opened its doors to the public last Monday, with Prof. J. L. Wilson at the head. The Lincoln school will begin Sept. 28th, with Mrs. H. I. Miller at the head. The Meridian colored public schools will open Monday October 5th; with Prof. O. C. Gurrett, as principal. Rev. A. D. Payne, formerly pastor of the St. Paul A. M. E. church of Meridian, is dead. W. H. Deloach has returned from St. Louis.

National Progressive League.

Cincinnati, Ohio, special.

Rev. R. E. Wilson, D. D., of St. John A. M. E. Zion church preached an eloquent sermon last Sunday; taking for his theme: "A very bad man, with two very bad eyes." The congregation was exceptionally large. The gypsy concert given at Allen Temple last Friday night, for the benefit of the colored orphan asylum, was a grand affair, and was greeted with a very large audience. They have consented to give an entertainment at Zion Baptist church in the near future. The joint discussion given at the Zion Baptist church Monday evening, Sept. 14th, between the Crescent literary society, of Walnut Hill, and the Young people's literary society at the Zion Baptist church was exceptionally good, and the participants reflected great credit upon their respective societies. The participants were: Messrs. Dr F. Johnson, D F. White G. L. Coleman, Wm. Austin. Wm. Smith, and B. F. McWilliams. Judges Hons. R. C. O. Benjamin, A J. DeHart and Henderson, who rendered their decision in favor of the Crescent society.

The Ohio National progressive league held its meeting on last Friday night. which was very interesting. After the business of the meeting was transacted there was a discussion which created great interest in all the members. The hall was full; the subject was: "Which is the greatest hinderance to the colored man in America, color or condition." The judges brought in a verdict in favor of color. There will be another grand discussion next Friday night. Dr. Wilson is full of smiles—a fine boy. Rev. Wyatt preached a great sermon last Sunday; theme was: "Moses crossing the Red Sea," it was very impressive. He is now holding revivals at his church on Carr street. Antioch Baptist church is doing good work. Zion Baptist church will hold memorial services next Sunday, in honor of Rev. Shelton its founder, and the memorial window will be unveiled. Several distinguished gentlemen will speak, viz: Mayor Caldwell, W. H. Parham and others. It will be a grand rally. Rev. Gilmore is attending conference. Prof. D. H. Brester's famous pickinnany band, with Henry Green as manager, is now connected with the Ohio National progressive league.

Palestine Pointers.

Palestine, Texas, Special.

The public schools opened on the 21st with a large attendance and the following corps of teachers: Prof. J. N. Dodson, principal of high school; assistants: Misses C. F. Smith and Julia Dudley; Mrs. W. C. Cole and Mrs. C. Z. Dodson; West school: Prof. J. McMeans, and Miss M. A. Rodgers, assistant. Mrs. A. D. Bridge, after two years of successful teaching, has resigned and will join her husband at Dallas, where he is teaching. Those who have returned from St. Louis are Rev. E. M. Griggs, Mesdames Curry, Roberts, Stell, Sewing and Oglive. They speak in glowing terms of the city. The Rosebud social at the C. M. E. church was well attended and a handsome sum was realized. Mrs. Rev. Douglass, of Henderson, is visiting Miss Mollie Woods. Examination was held in the city Thursday and Friday to fill vacancies in the public schools. In the future only those holding city or Prairie View Normal certificate will be eligible for positions. The organ concert held at Castle Hall Monday evening the 14th under the auspices of Grant Chapel A. M. E. church, was a literary treat, music and the drill being very good. The hustling agent for The Texas Freeman, Mr. J. Wren, will soon leave to begin his school work. Misses Arrela Anderson, Cassie Clark and Anna Davis will leave for college in a few days. Dame Rumor says the wedding bells will ring loud and long during the holidays. Prof. Tarver, of Crockett, is visiting his brother, Mr. H. Stanton. Miss Carrie F. Smith, of New York, will teach in the public school this year.

The Freeman's Hustling Agent.

Jackson, Tenn., Special.

I. H. Halsey, the enterprising Freeman representative, has left the city and is traveling in different parts of the State in the interests of The Freeman. the leading race guide. He will appoint agents in all towns not already occupied, and endeavor to increase The Freeman's circulation in this State. The Freeman will have an energetic worker in the person of Mr. Halsey.

Wilberforce News.

Wilberforce, Ohio, Special.

Bishop B. F. Lee has moved into the beautiful house of Dr. J. G. Mitchell, opposite the Seminary. Rev. J. C. Caldwell, B. D., of Philadelphia, Pa., visited here last week, while en route to his new field of labor in Missouri. He is one of our boys. Prof. J. C. Jones is on the sick list. The University has opened this year under very favorable circumstances. Students continue to come in rapidly. We welcome Prof. F. S. Delaney, one of Indiana's beloved citizens, as a member of the faculty. Prof. Delaney is a ripe scholar and a christian gentleman. We lose Prof. W. E. DuBoise, who enjoys with other distinctions that of being called to teach in the University of Pennsylvania. We are fortunate, however, in securing in his stead the efficient services of Prof. E. W. Clark, A. M., of Washington, D. C., as Professor of Ancient Languages. Prof. J. P. Shorter, A. M., LL.D., who has been in the chair of mathematics for twenty-two years, has been made Superintendent and Professor in mathematics in the C. N. and I. department. Miss M. C. Allen, a talented lady of Meadville, Pa., has been secured to instruct the classes in instrumental music. She comes to the University highly recommended. Secure your paper and give all articles of importance to H. F. Bray, representative of The Freeman at the University.

Observation of our Representative.

Texarkana, Tex., Special.

The public schools of this city opened last week with Prof. S. A. D. McClellan as principal, assisted by an able corps of teachers. Miss Olga D. McClellan, the amiable sister of the principal and a recent graduate of Fisk, is one of the teachers. Henry E. Lee, of Midway, Tex., passed through the city a few days ago on his way to Nashville, where he is pursuing a medical course in Mebarry Medical college. Grant S. Neal, The Freeman traveling agent, was in the city a few days ago, soliciting subscriptions for The Freeman. Dr. M. E. Stephens, Texarkana's worthy physician, has quite a lucrative practice. F. A. Bryan, a graduate of Fisk University, is teaching a night school in the city. He is expecting to begin his work as principal of the city school at Horny Grove, Tex., soon. Mrs. R. R. Peterson, Texarkana's excellent pianist, is conducting quite a successful class in instrumental music. Read The Freeman and see what the race is doing.

A. C. E. S. Organized.

Piqua, O., Special.

A Christian Endeavor Society was organized at the Cyrene A. M. E. church Sunday evening. The election of officers were as follows: President, Mrs. Luke Johnson; vice president, Miss Delilah Long; secretary, Miss Effie Johnson; corresponding secretary, Miss Minnie P. Huggard. The Baptist church did not have services Sunday. Miss Effie Scott of Xenia is attending High School. Misses Medley, Carter, Wilkinson and Officer of Troy, were in the city Sunday. The Daughters of Jerusalem held their Grand Council in this city last week. Quite a number of visitors were in the city attending the Council. Mrs. George Bowles is visiting in Cleveland. George Wilson has returned from his visit in Lexington, Ky. The band was at Midway Park Monday and went to Lima Tuesday. Mrs. Dr. Lindsey and son of Xneia were in the city Monday. Communion services were held at the Cyrene A. M. E. church Sunday. The presiding elder was present.

Local pickups.

Mineola, Tex, Special.

The weather is very dry and hot here. Rev. R. T. Taylor of Tyler will preach here the 27th. The farmers are only getting 6½ cents for cotton this year. John Williams of Smith county died recently. The public schools of the whites opened the 14th. Mrs. F. Moore paid S. Anderson a visit on the 17th.

HOT SPRINGS,

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On Feb. 17th the Iron Mountain railway put into service a new special train to Hot Springs. It will leave St. Louis Union Station at 8:30 p. m. daily, arriving at Hot Springs 12:30 the next noon. This train will be handsomely equipped with coaches, free reclining chairs cars and Pullman sleepers. Hot Springs is constantly growing in popularity as a sanitarium for invalids, on account of the extraordinary curative properties of its waters, and also, as a fashionable winter resort, by reason of its delightful climate, beautiful scenery and excellent hotel accommodations. Descriptive pamphlet mailed free on application to Coke Alexander, District Passenger Agent, Jackson Place, Indianapolis, Ind.

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New Train Service on the Monon Route.

Commencing Sunday, June 7th., the regular sleeping car for Indianapolis via. the Monon ROUTE will be carried on the FAST MAIL train, leaving Chicago at 2.45 a. m. The sleeper will be ready for occupancy in Dearborn Station (Polk Street Depot) at 9.30 p. m., thus giving passengers an opportunity to spend the evening in Chicago, go the theatres or other places of amusement and retire any time after that hour. The arriving time at Indianapolis is 8.00 a. m.

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Nov. 21. MRS. W. H.

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No charge for embalming unless the body is preserved. Why have your friends unfit to be seen on the day of the funeral?—Flanner & Buchanan.

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She Prospers In Spite of Her Cheap Money, Not Because of It—The Foreign Investors Whom Bryan Would Drive Out of America Save Her From Ruin—Domestic Experiences Show What Living Would Cost Us if We Had Free Coinage of Silver.

Pirates on the high seas could hardly be a more dangerous menace to commerce between nations than this fluctuation of exchange between countries on different standards. Outside of a few money changers at coast ports, business men of the States hardly notice from week to week the variations in exchange between their country and Europe. But in the business relations between the United States and Mexico the changing difference between the standards is a matter of hourly concern.

"What's exchange today?" goes with every morning's salutation between merchants in Monterey.

"Silver's up," or "silver's down," is the commercial news of first importance.

The shrewd representatives of a San Antonio (Tex.) jobbing house on his way back to the States from his midsummer round of the cities of Mexico said:

"Here's a variation of 9 cents between the gold standard of the States and the silver standard of Mexico within two weeks. How is a man going to sell goods or do any business between the countries when he has got to make allowances for such fluctuations. When I sell a bill of goods to a Mexican merchant on six months' time I've got to figure the prices high enough to save my house in the event that silver drops by one of those violent fluctuations before the day of settlement comes. The merchant has got to mark the retail prices on a margin sufficient to protect him against possible change. And so American goods must be sold in Mexico at two margins above legitimate profits in order to protect the American jobber and the Mexican storekeeper against these rapid up and down movements of the standards. The condition is simply ruinous to trade. People will not buy when prices are raised on them. My house may make a tremendous profit or barely save itself in a sale of goods on six months' time. That isn't the way to do business. You might as well have a Chinese wall between two countries as these fluctuations. And this is what we will have on a vastly greater scale if the United States goes to a silver standard and Great Britain and the European nations continue the gold standard. I know what this thing of two standards means between Mexico and the States, and I don't want to see it in our trade with Great Britain and Europe."

Monterey is perhaps the most Americanized of Mexican cities. It has added a lunch counter to its other American institutions. The traveler can sit on a stool and appease his hunger in as short order as he does in the States. Herewith is given the price list that those familiar with the quick meal restaurants of the States may make for themselves the comparison between sandwiches on a gold basis and a la silver standard:

HIDALGO CAFE—MENU.

Coffee, 12; tea, 12; milk, 10; beer, 10; pint California wine, 50.

COLD DISHES.		ASSORTED DISHES.	
Ham	15	Sardines	20
Corn beef	15	Salmon	20
Roast beef	15	Doughnuts	10
Mutton	15	Saratoga chips	10
Tongue	15	Oatmeal and cream	20
Boiled eggs	10	SANDWICHES.	
Cold chicken, half	25	Ham	10
Cheese	10	Roast beef	10
Baked beans	15	Cheese	10
Pie, per cut	10	Chicken	15
Hot dishes from 6 to 9:30, 12 to 2 and 6 to 8.			
Porterhouse steak	35	Scrambled eggs	15
Pork chops	35	Poached eggs on toast	15
Mutton chops	35	Fried eggs	12
Ham and eggs	25		
Bacon and eggs	25		

Try our hot cakes and honey, 15 cents; French bread and butter, 10 cents.

These prices are in Mexican silver, worth 50 cents on the dollar in American money.

One is very quickly impressed with the fact that if he is paying for a dish made from a product of the country a Mexican dollar goes as far as an American at this lunch counter. If, on the other hand, the taste for something grown in the States must be gratified the Mexican dollar is equal only to an American half dollar. There is, however, a marked exception to this rule. If the Mexican product has a gold market in the United States it costs twice as much here as it did before silver lost half its reach. Such is the case with coffee. When silver was at par Mexican coffee was sold for 19 cents and 20 cents a pound in Mexico. Now it commands that in the United States and sells for 38 cents and 40 cents a pound here. The patron at the Mexican lunch counter pays 12 cents for the cup of coffee which he gets for 5 cents at the lunch counter in the States. If, while picking his cold chicken at 25 cents—chicken and money both of native production—he fancies one of the small bottles of olives on a shelf, he finds that it takes a dollar to purchase what costs 35 cents in the States. So with all of the imported luxuries. Prices are from double to treble the figures in the States.

Mr. Montieth, the proprietor of the Hotel Hidalgo, pays his waiters $15 a month, which he says is a big price for Mexico. His American chef he pays $40 a month, while his Mexican cooks receive from $20 to $35. The beds are made and the rooms cleaned by Mexican boys. They receive $12 a month. There are no chambermaids in Mexico. Barkeepers get $25, porters $10 and laundrymen $8 a month. This is all in Mexican money. Like all Americans in Mexico, the proprietor of the Hidalgo is receiving numerous letters from acquaintances in the States who want to know all about the practical workings of silver in a silver country. This is his reply just sent to one of his inquiring friends:

"Does any sane man believe that free coinage by the United States alone would double the price of silver? Does any one believe that the passage of a free coinage law by the United States would raise the price of silver of the world, which is at least $5,000,000,000, from 67 cents to $1.29 an ounce?

"You don't believe it, nor does any reasonable man. Let me tell you what the result would be. The United States would be in the same condition as regards finance that Mexico is in today. Mexico has lost all of her gold and is, in consequence, on a strictly silver basis. Her silver dollar passes, both at home and abroad, at its bullion value. All her paper money, including national bank notes, passes at 50 cents on the dollar. It takes two Mexican dollars to pay one dollar of interest on private gold contracts or on the national debt. In either case it takes $200 to pay the interest on $1,000 for one year at 10 per cent. It takes $200 to pay for $100 worth of goods in the United States, England, Germany, France or any other gold standard country. Most of the necessaries of life have doubled in price, but wages have advanced very little. The laborer is paid his wages in 50 cent dollars, but pays for what he must buy in the equivalent of gold, two dollars for one.

"Mexico is prospering, not because of free silver, but in spite of it. Mexico is prospering because she has at the head of the government one of the greatest statesmen on earth, who, by encouraging foreign capital, is developing the natural resources of the country.

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T. W. McCabe's Minstrels opened at Ft. Wayne, Ind., Sept. 3.

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Black Carl, the Negro magician, is mystifying his audiences with Sam T. Jack's Creoles.

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Billy Eldridge and J. Harry Fidler are the leading comedians with the Oriental America Company.

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"South Before the War" is playing to excellent business at the Standard Theatre, Philadelphia.

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The only Florence Hines, the male impersonator, is with Al G. Fields' Darkest America Company.

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Eaton and Weather's Colored City Sports Company are playing to excellent business in the East.

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Lanes' Colored Troubadours were among the many attractions at the Bristol county Fair, at Taunton, Mass., this week.

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Dave Barton and Edith Hughes, members of Colored City Sports Company, were married on the stage at Miner's Eighth Avenue Theatre, New York City, Sept. 10th.

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The McCarver Bros., John Rucker, George Tichnor, and James White, are among the prominent members of Al G. Field's Darkest America Company.

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Richard and Pringle seem to have the lead among the Negro minstrelsy. Among the favorites are Billy Kersands, Jalvan, Gauze, the female impersonator, and the Mallory Bros.

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Darkest America has undoubtedly the best colored brass band and orchestra on the road this season. It is under the management of Prof. Henderson Smith.

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Isham's Octoroons, which were received so favorably by the amusement-loving public last season, have opened their season in the East. A number of the old favorites are still retained. They are in Philadelphia this week.

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The premiers of trombone soloists, Messrs. James Bailey and Fred Simpson, are with the Darkest America Company.

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Katie Carter, the St. Louis dancing wonder, is presenting an excellent skirt dance with the Creole show this season. Her costumes are elegant.

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Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lucas are featured with the Darkest America Company. The musical numbers by Mrs. Lucas are well received by the audience.

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The Black Patti Troubadours gave their initial peformance in New York City last week to a crowded house. The company includes Mme. Sissieretta Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Tom McIntosh, DeWolfe Sisters. Cole & Wiley, Lloyd Gibbs, and others.

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Cicero Reed and son Willie, the acrobats, are with the Darkest America Company.

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The Franklyn Club Sextette, under the leadership of James Jackson, are being greeted with much applause on their trip through California. This is their second season with the Forepaugh-Sells Bros. shows.

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Billy and Cordelia McClain are presenting their original funny sketch this season with Sam T. Jack's Creoles. The Svengalia impersonation of Mr. McClain and the singing of Mrs. Cordelia are excellent.

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The Canadian Jubilee Singers, after seven successful weeks in Canada, have returned and will tour the Eastern States. The company includes Jim Lightfoot, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCarter, Maud Young-Hogan, Fannie Stewart, Sarah Thomas, J. A. Cockbin, W. S, Carey, N. Warner, and J. V. Carter.

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Isham's Oriental America company have returned from a successful tour of Canada, and are this week in Brooklyn. Among the leading members of this organization are: Margaret Scott, Sydney Woodard, Mayme Calloway, the Meredith Sisters, the Eldridges, R. B. Shelton, J. Harry Fidler and others.

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Sam T. Jack's Creoles are playing to excellent business. Mr. Jack is presenting a much cleaner show this season than heretofore, which is commendable to himself and members of his company. They showed to "standing room only" at Cincinnati last week.

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Miss Rachel Walker of Cleveland, O., who, by the way, is billed as the "Creole Nightengale," has been singing at Hammerstien's Olympia Roof Garden, New York City, for the past several weeks. Her work consists mostly of ballads. The New York Dramatic News, one of the leading theatrical papers, recently had the following to say editorially of Miss Walker:

"It is seldom that a singer of such real artistic worth as Rachel Walker is heard at a roof garden, but that such merit is appreciated by Olympia patrons is attested by the storms of applause which nightly reward that artist's efforts. Miss Walker is a creole about twenty-three years of age, and possesses a mezzo-soprano of rare beauty and flexibility. She sings with the intensity and appreciation of a real artist, and her talents entitle her to high rank on the concert stage, for her's is not merely a finely trained voice without a trace of personality, but one full of expression and appreciation of the composer's ideas. Her first song was evidently a vocal arrangement of a violin solo, familiar to the concert goer, which enabled her to show her technique, but for her remaining songs she wisely dropped the severely classical, and gave 'The Last Rose of Summer,' and 'Suwanee River,' to the unbounded satisfaction of the audience."

Lost Lelative.

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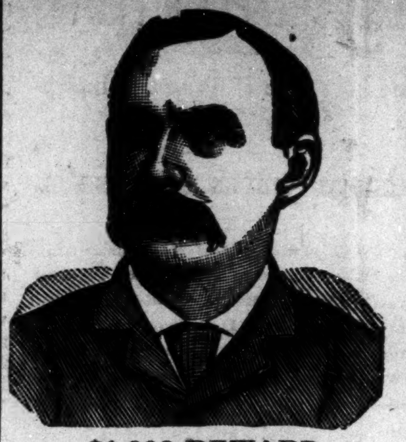

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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
2937 Atlantic Ave.

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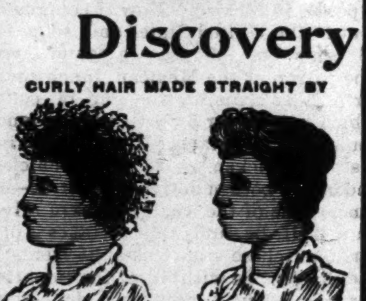

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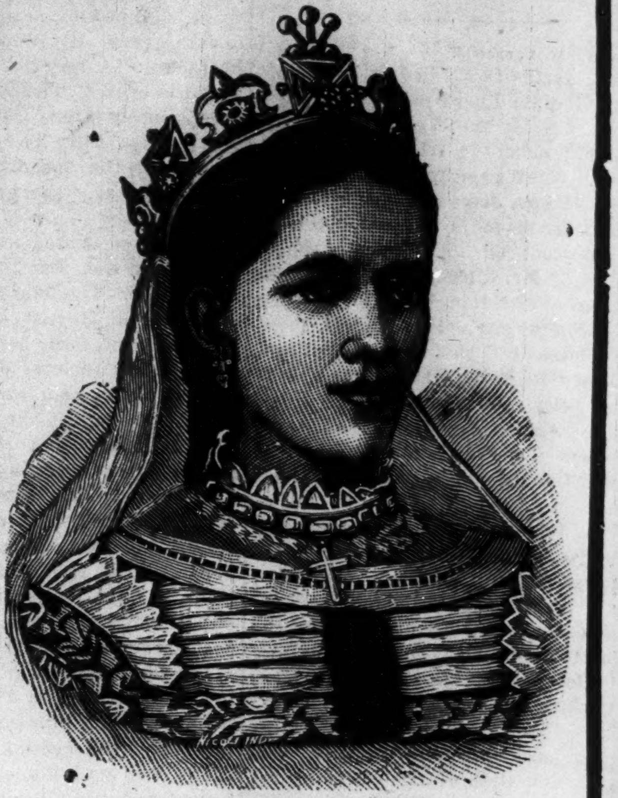

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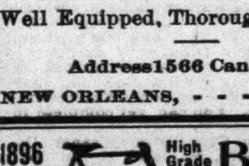

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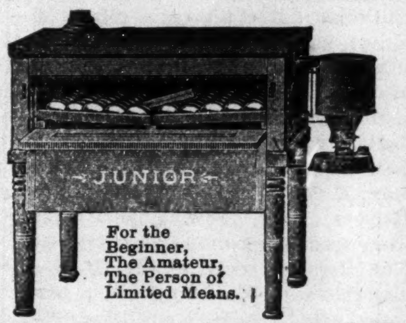

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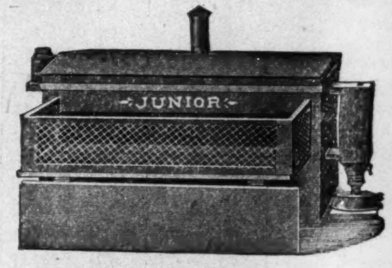

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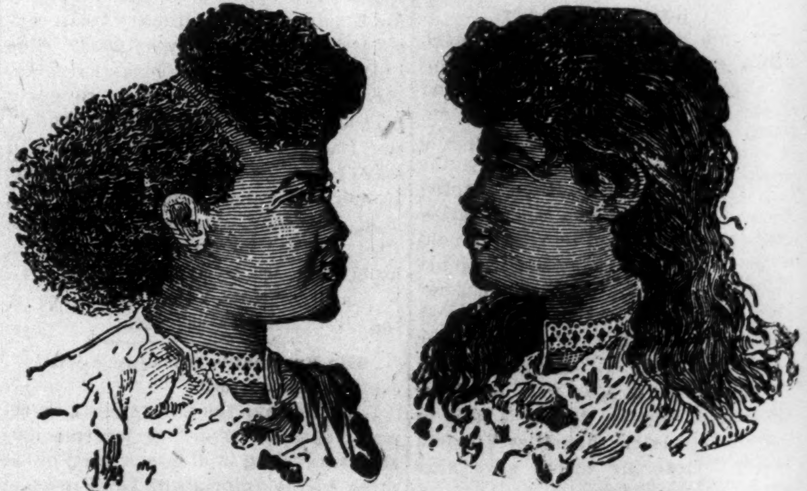

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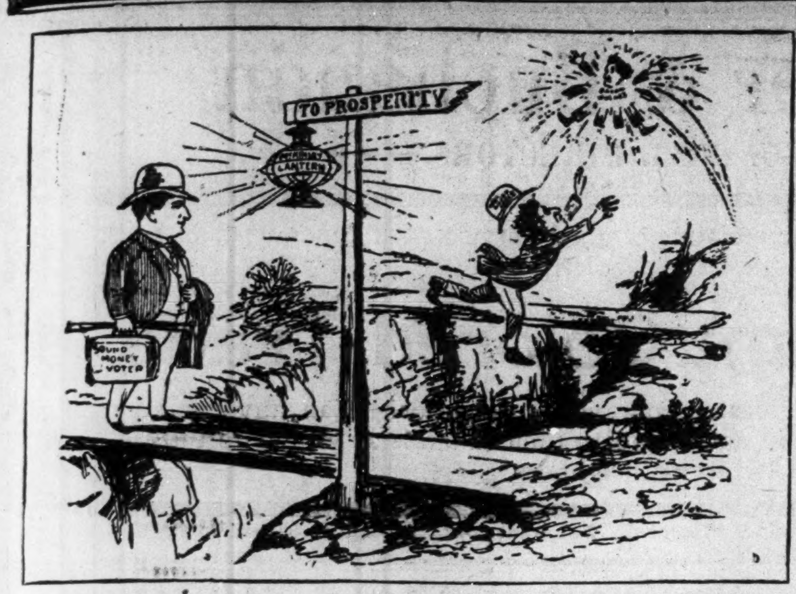

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—Boston Journal.

RISE ABOVE PARTY.

Views of Some Distinguished Democrats on the Situation.

The real issue in this campaign is the issue of patriotism.—Roswell P. Flower.

The American nation will never consent to substitute for the republic of Washington, of Jefferson and of Jackson the republic of an Altgeld, a Tillman or a Bryan.—Bourke Cockran.

There is absolutely nothing to justify honest men in yielding an inch of their ground.—William C. Whitney.

Of course I am for McKinley and Hobart and no one else during these critical times.—E. J. Phelps.

I will not vote for a platform of repudiation, dishonor and ruin.—Judge W. R. Hammond of Georgia.

I have not indorsed Bryan and Sewall, nor do I contemplate doing so.—Senator Gray of Delaware.

The free coinage of silver embodies not one single redress of one single grievance.—Henry Watterson.

If I could have my way in the struggle with those who are assailing the honor and credit of the country, I would defeat them by the election of McKinley.—Thomas M. Waller of Connecticut.

Though unable and unwilling to support the platform and ticket made at Chicago, I am and will be to the end a Democrat.—William M. Singerly.

Let us stand firmly together for honesty against repudiation.—John McAnerney.

The interests of this state and of the country call upon every good Democrat to vote for McKinley.—William Marvin.

I shall unhesitatingly vote for William McKinley, and I advise other Democrats to do the same.—John K. Cowan.

It is the duty of every good Democrat to oppose the Chicago platform and ticket. I will do all in my power to defeat Bryan.—Daniel Magone.

The declarations of that (Chicago) platform are open, palpable and flagrant departures from all that Democracy has stood for.—Senator Caffery of Louisiana.

I should vote for McKinley in preference to a free coinage silver Democrat. —Cyrus H. McCormick of Illinois.

Every Patriot Must Be Aroused.

It is this year, my countrymen, a great cause for which we contend, commanding the support of every patriot, for it represents the national honor and stands for national prosperity. It involves every cherished interest of the country and embraces the affairs of every citizen of the republic. It involves the labor and wages of the people, and the earnings accumulated and to be accumulated, the honor of the country, its financial integrity, its good name—all are at stake in this great contest, and every lover of his country must be aroused to duty and quickened to the responsibility of this crisis.—William McKinley.

Bryan's Cant Exposed.

With the exception of a small number among our many millions we are all toilers, whether we labor in the streets of crowded cities, in our offices or workshops, or in the silver mines of Colorado, or in the wheatfields of Nebraska. He speaks of the plain people. In a republic such as ours there are no plain people. There are no common people. All alike are equal. No one is common. No one is plain in that sense through which Mr. Bryan seeks to appeal to prejudice or envy by the creation of an artificial distinction.—Hon. Franklin Bartlett.

Miserly Folly of Gold Hoarders.

The gold currency of greenbacks and Sherman notes is interchanged with the silver currency of the Bland-Allison act and its supplements every time a $20 bill is broken. And this, despite the miserly folly of the hoarders of these gold obligations, who, blinded by avarice, forget that the government's gold stock would not last 24 hours after the election of a free coinage president, and that they would have only one chance in five of getting to a subtreasury within those 24 hours.—New York Press.

The Real Contest.

It is a mistake to say that the contest this year is between bimetallism and the single gold standard. A more correct definition is that it is between silver monometallism, with unlimited fiat money in the background, or a gold standard with silver as a supplementary metal, with true bimetallism in the background.—Des Moines Leader.

Real National Independence.

We are told that we must be "independent." But gold carries the flag of independence. It is the only completely independent money. It is the standard of the world, and no one has to inquire what it is worth. Only, therefore, on the gold standard can we be independent.—Portland Oregonian.

A MAGNIFICENT PROTEST.

But the Indianapolis Convention Did Not Show the Best Way to Defeat Bryan.

Magnificent as a protest, valuable as a framework for a future home for regenerated Democracy, the Indianapolis organization does not change the present duty of the individual Democrat who abhors repudiation and desires to safeguard the national honor against the assaults of the revolutionists. Singular as the proposition is, it remains a fact that the very cause which the Indianapolis ticket most essentially represents can be served best, not by its election, for that is impracticable, but by its defeat, provided that defeat is not accomplished through the election of the repudiation candidates. In Kentucky surely, in Indiana and some other states of the central western group it will help to crush Bryan, and thus indirectly promote the election of McKinley and the assurance that the gold standard will be maintained. Taking the country through and through, however, the nearer the Indianapolis ticket comes to success the greater will be the peril, for every vote that would otherwise go to McKinley and Hobart, but is drawn to Palmer and Buckner by the seductive excellence of that combination of names, is nothing less than a unit of hope for Bryan and all that Bryan signifies.

Our advice to Democrats is to keep the main chance steadily in mind. A vote for McKinley is worth two votes for Palmer as an instrument for the defeat of Bryan. First let us save the republic and fortify its institutions by as tremendous a majority against repudiation and revolution as patriotism can insure. Admire the spirit displayed at Indianapolis, take off your hats to John McAuley Palmer and Simon Bolivar Buckner, cheer them to the top of your voice, not only as fine old types of northern and southern Democracy, but also as the advance guard of a Democratic column starting out for further victories, and then go to the polls and clear the way for the new Democracy by firing directly at Bryan a ballot for William McKinley!—New York Sun.

BRYAN'S CHINESE MIND.

He Regards the Laboring Man as Li Hung Chang the Coolies of China.

We called attention the other day to the fact that Mr. Bryan's views of the wages to which labor is entitled were precisely identical with the views of Li Hung Chang, who said in a semiofficial statement that if we wished to compete with foreign nations we must reduce the cost of production by reducing the cost of labor. Everything that Mr. Bryan says about the purchasing power of the dollar which is paid to our wage earners only tends to confirm our opinion that Li Hung Chang has no more contempt for the wage earner than has Mr. W. J. Bryan, and that Mr. W. J. Bryan's plans for the degradation of labor are as selfish and as brutal as are the practices of Li Hung Chang in degrading in his own country all labor to the importance of pieces of mechanism.

How, in the name of common sense, does Mr. Bryan expect to gain the votes of wage earners by telling them that the dollars in which their wages are paid now have too great a purchasing power? How, under the sun, can any wage earner vote for the man who declares that the dollars in which we now pay wages buy too much for the man who earns them?—New York Press.

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We have much more silver in use than any country in the world except India or China—$500,000,000 more than Great Britain, $150,000,000 more than France, $400,000,000 more than Germany, $32[illegible],000,000 less than India, and $125,000,000 less than China. It is not proposed by the Republican party to take from the circulating medium of the country any of the silver we now have. On the contrary, it is proposed to keep all of the silver money now in circulation on a parity with gold by maintaining the pledge of the government that all of it shall be equal to gold.—William McKinley in His Letter of Acceptance.

Bryan's Happy State of Mind.

The theory that free coinage will make and keep the silver dollar equal in value to the gold dollar rests upon absolutely nothing but Mr. Bryan's incessantly expressed personal belief. Fixed belief is a happy state of the mind. One of the strongest cases of belief I ever met with was a man who inflexibly believed that he was the pope of Rome and could, if he would, fetch down the moon. He was under treatment by a specialist for mental peculiarities.—Carl Schurz.

The Longest Fall on Record.

If the report be true that the mantle of Jefferson has fallen on Bryan we may as well put it down as the longest fall on record.—San Francisco Call.

CLEVELAND'S BOND ISSUES.

Made Under False Pretenses—One of Bryan's Statements Correct.

The criticisms which Mr. Bryan made in his speech at Milwaukee on Saturday of the government bond issues of the last three years, although they were exaggerated and unfair, were, nevertheless, to a certain extent justified by the false representations made by President Cleveland. Mr. Cleveland has insisted over and over again that these bond issues were required for nothing but the replenishment of the treasury gold reserve, and that, except for redeeming in gold the legal tender notes, no bonds need have been sold. The fact is that the bonds were sold largely to meet a deficiency in the revenues, and but for that deficiency would have been necessary only to a small amount.

The issues began in February, 1894, and the last one was made last February and the months following. Adding to the cash balance in the treasury on Feb. 1, 1894, the proceeds of the bonds subsequently sold and deducting from the total the cash balance in the treasury last Saturday gives this result:

Balance in the treasury Feb. 1, 1894..	$84,082.099
Proceeds of bond sales...............	293,454,286
Total...........................	$377,536,3[illegible]5
Deduct balance Sept. 5, 1896........	242,044,252
Difference to be accounted for......	$185,492,133

How this amount of $135,492,133 has disappeared will partly appear from these figures, the difference in result being due to receipts from extraordinary sources:

Deficiency in the revenues June 30, 1894.................	$69,803,260
Deficiency in the revenues June 30, 1895.................	42,805,223
Deficiency in the revenues June 30, 1896.................	25,203,245
Deficiency in the revenues Aug. 5, 1896.................	24,123,359
Total, three years and two months.	$161,935,087

Another way of presenting the facts is to add to the amount of legal tenders and gold in the treasury when the bond sales began the amount of gold procured by the bond sales and deduct from the total the legal tenders and gold now in the treasury:

Legal tenders and gold, Feb. 1, 1894.	$70,332,871
Gold received for bonds sold........	293,454,286
Total...........................	$363,787,157
Gold and legal tenders on hand Sept. 5, 1896.	214,859,208
To be accounted for................	$148,927,949

It is evident that, if the legal tenders redeemed in gold since Feb. 1, 1894, had not been paid out to meet current expenses, they would still be in the treasury; so that the total amount of gold and legal tenders at this moment would equal the amount on hand Feb. 1, 1894, with the proceeds of the gold received for bonds added. Instead of that there is a deficiency of $148,927,149.

When, therefore, Mr. Bryan, following Mr. Cleveland, asserts that the bond issues have been made exclusively in order to maintain gold payments, he repeats a lie which Mr. Cleveland first put in circulation, but which is a lie none the less.

As for the onerous terms upon which the $62,000,000 of bonds were sold a year ago to the Morgan-Belmont syndicate, it was a blunder and not a crime. Mr. Cleveland, in his ignorance of financial laws, thought that the bonds must be sold for gold brought from Europe, not seeing that it made no difference whence the gold came. Whether it was first drawn out of the treasury with legal tenders and then paid in for the bonds, or whether it was first paid in and then drawn out, it came to the same thing in the end. As a matter of fact, the $65,000,000 of gold for which Mr. Cleveland paid a premium of $8,000,000 lasted only six months, and then another bond issue was required.—New York Sun.

Cannot Mexicanize American Manhood.

I can take the dollars of my country into every gold standard nation of the earth and I can buy as much in any home store of those countries as the most privileged citizen of the community can buy with the dollar his government gives him for use. I can take the dollars of my country into every free silver coinage nation of the world—Mexico, China, Japan, South America, wherever you please—and I can buy twice as much at the home store as the most privileged citizen of the locality can buy with the best dollar his government gives him for use. I do not care to exchange my privileges with any man who is ready to give me two of his dollars for one of mine. I do not care to go across the line into Canada, as the Mexican comes across the line into the United States, with an apology for his 50 cent dollar. I do not wish to see the Goddess of Liberty placed upon a depreciated coin. When we put the American eagle on a piece of metal we ought to put him there with every tail feather spread, rampant for the glory of his country. We cannot afford to Mexicanize American manhood, American muscle or American money.—Senator John M. Thurston.

What McKinley Stands For.

The Republican party stands today, as it has always stood, opposed to the continuation of an industrial policy which cripples industries at home, robs labor of its just rewards and supplies insufficient revenues to run the government. It stands opposed to any change in our financial policy which would put us upon a silver basis and deprive us of the use of both gold and silver as currency. Involved in the contest, too, is that fundamental question of whether we are to have a government by law. The Republican party stands now, as always, for the maintenance of law and order and domestic tranquillity.—William McKinley.

Popocratic Rascality.

The proposition of Mr. Bryan and his followers to pay the bonds of the United States, upon which 100 cents on the dollar was raised, in coin worth only 55 cents is downright rascality. If the government does that, it goes into the bunko steering business.—Rev. Thomas Dixon.

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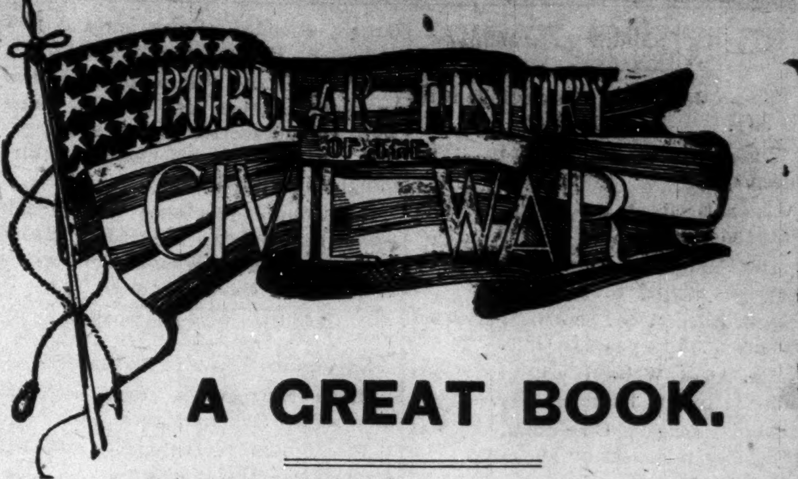

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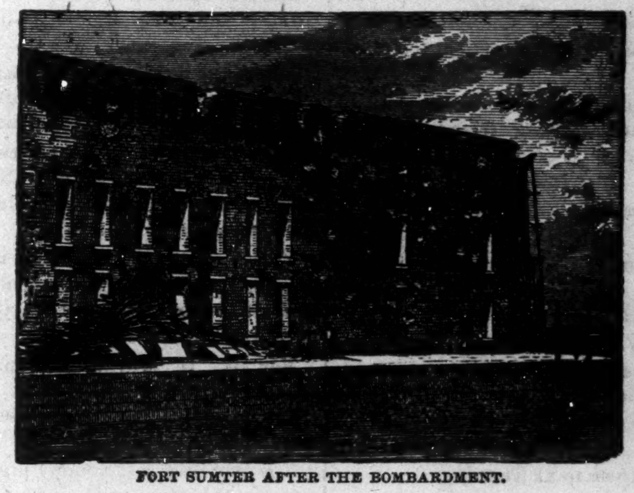

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CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Charles Jackson of Connersville is in the city.

William Burns Sundayed in "The Queen City."

James E. Reed has returned from Columbus, O.

Miss Mell Hampton of Greenfield spent last Sunday in the city.

R. H. Burnett has returned, after an absence of three years in Ohio.

Mrs. Anna Weber is visiting friends and relatives in Lagrange, Ky.

Samuel Jones of Cincinnati, O., was in the city this week on business.

Quinny Jordan of Connersville spent several days in the city last week.

Mrs. Johnson of Terre Haute was the guest of friends in the city last week.

Robert Riffe of Muncie was the guest of his sister, Miss Nannie Riffe last week.

Miss Hettie Stokes of Richmond, is visiting Mrs. Thomas Scott, 163 Agnes street.

There will be a Centennial social given at Blackford street church Monday night.

Levi Burden and Wm. Marshall of Marion are visiting friends on the south side.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bass, formerly of Connersville, are now residing in this city.

Rev. Geo. B. Lynch is in the city and has taken charge of Walters Chapel A. M. E. Z. church.

Elder Wakefield returned last week from Chicago where he has been attending the Zion Conference.

Floyd Eubanks and Albert Washington, two energetic young men, will leave for Iowa next Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Woodson, of Versailles, Ky., is the guest of Mrs. Lizzie Twyman, 21 Greenwood street.

Mr. and Mrs. Winburn of Cheerubusco, Ind., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Phillips, 286 Spring street.

Charles Turner, head porter of the Bates tonsorial shop left Tuesday for a month's stay in Tennessee.

Charles Jordan left this week for a ten day's stay with friends and relatives "over home" in "Old Kaintuck."

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Died Sept. 18th, Mary Agnes Rogers, daughter of Allen J. and Mary Rogers in Chadwick street, aged nine years.

Ben Weber of the Bates tonsorial department, sold his property in Kentucky for $1,000. He will buy in this city.

Claud Baxton and Claud Barbour made a flying trip to Southport on a distance of twenty-seven miles, last Sunday.

Mrs. Mamie Allen, 255 North West street, spent Sunday in Louisville, the guests of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Ferguson.

Rev. J. W. Carr, pastor of the Second Baptist church has returned from St. Louis where he has been attending the Baptist Association.

Mesdames Dollie Lewis and Hattie Smith returned from Kentucky last week, where they have been holding successful camp-meetings.

Rev. J. L. Grigsby was in the city Wednesday en route to St. Louis to visit relatives. He has been transferred from New Albany to Bloomington.

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Mrs. M. E. Wakefield, accompanied by Mrs. Rachel Ely, will join the St. Louis delegation next Tuesday, and attend the Centennial in New York.

Rev. D. A. Graham, the new pastor of Bethel church, preached last Sunday to two large congregations, and made a favorable impression. His family will join him in a few weeks.

Miss Cora Barbour, 41 Hosbrook street, who has been indisposed, will leave next Tuesday for Iowa for permanent residence. She entertained a number of friends Thursday evening.

Much credit is due Benjamin Thornton for the manner in which he is arranging quarters for the visiting delegates to the meeting of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows which convenes in this city Oct. 6th.

On October 6th, the Biennial Meeting of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of America will convene in this city. It is hoped that the citizens of Indianapolis will open wide their doors to the 600 or more delegates and several thousands visitors who will be present on this occasion.

Dr. Jas. C. Erwin of Cincinnati, was in the city last Sunday, the guest of Dr. Harry and Sumner Furniss. Dr. Erwin, until recently, served in the Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, D. C., as assistant surgeon. He speaks with enthusiasm of his chances in Cincinnati where he has determined to locate.

CORINTHIAN CHURCH NOTES.

Much good work is being done by the Ladies' Aid society.

The Kings' Daughters still hold their weekly meetings each Tuesday night.

The Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., is largely attended. Come out and join us. G. W. Prince, superintendent.

Rev. J. O. A. Wilhite preached two excellent sermons last Sunday, which were well appreciated by the congregation. He left for his charge in Birmingham, Ala., Tuesday.

Rev. John J. Blackshear will preach for us next Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. He is a wide-awake preacher—come out and hear him.

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Miss Laura Hogan is on the sick list.

Elder Matthews of Iowa attended services last Sunday night.

Miss Stokes of Richmond attended services last Sunday night.

The paper read by Mrs. Ella Williams last Sunday night was excellent.

Quite a large number of strangers attended services last Sunday morning.

Johnson Benson has resigned his position as teacher in the Sunday school.

Should you desire to hear good singing listen to the chorus of forty voices.

The trio by Mrs. Sadie Dudley, D. D. Hunter and Miss Mamie White was very fine.

One of the new features of the Sunday school is a primary department with Mrs. Ella Williams as superintendent.

Quite a number of friends called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert King in their new home at North Indianapolis last Sunday afternoon.

Prof. J. Milton Benson has resigned his position as superintendent of the Sabbath School, but still remains with us as a faithful worker.

Rev. A. L. Murray will preach a special sermon Sunday night, subject "The Beautiful Present and the Secret Errand." All are invited.

The exercises last Sunday night were pronounced very good. The addresses delivered by Hons. J. T. V. Hill and G. L. Knox were highly appreciated.

A large congregation was out at Allen Chapel Tuesday evening. The question of remodeling or building a new church was considered. A vote was taken and resulted as follows: 64 for remodeling; 34 for new church. It was decided by vote to postpone for further action toward remodeling for six months.

The following persons were elected by the Sabbath School board last Friday evening: Superintendent, ——; assistant, J. H. Bush; secretary. Miss Mamie White; assistant. Lucy Twines; treasurer, G. W. Venable; librarians, Mrs. Mattie Green, and Mrs. Mary Jackson; organist, Lillie Warfield; assistant, Mrs. Lizzie Venable; chorister, Mrs. Geo. Underwood; additional teachers, Prof. Ed. Stokes, Geo. Underwood, Mrs. Gertrude Payne and Mrs. Lizzie Bush.

"SWAMP ANGEL" ON THE WING.

To show the general tendency of the more progressive Negro throughout the country, we publish the following excerpts from an article by John E. Bruce, which appeared in a recent number of the Monthly Review. We have protested against the ill usages of the church in allowing its sacred isles to be promenaded to the time of music for a few paltry dollars in these columns before, and with a few in this city, met a hearty approbation. He says:

"A practice which obtains in a large number of Negro churches, and which cannot be other than hurtful to the cause of religion, is that of clergymen and church officers requiring and encouraging members of their congregations to parade themselves at each service up to the table to make their offerings to the Lord. It is a pernicious and vulgar practice which finds favor only in the eyes of ostentatious people and clergymen with itching palms. It is a practice that begets vanity, promotes discords and jealousies in the church, and makes the purse-proud feel that they are indispensable to the church, while it keeps modest and reserved people, who shrink from making a public exhibition of themselves from contributing their mites, because they do not feel able to compete with those who give to be seen of men, and to hear themselves lauded from the pulpit as is often the case. In these latter days the chief ambition of the average Negro clergyman seems to make a reputation as a financier, a church builder or a debt-maker.

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"To me the most indecent exhibition of alleged christian zeal imaginable is the spectacle of a congregation of christian worshippers prancing up one isle and down the other after each service in the church of God, to give five cents or five dollars, and to the tune of music which sometimes suggests that we are at a cake-walk or a grand promenade. It seems almost sacreligious, this exhibition of vanity on the one side, and rapacious greed on the other. The sermon whether good or bad is delivered in a prefunctory manner, after which the notices are given out followed by the familiar, 'now brethren and sisters we want you to give us this morning $25, $50, or $100 as the case may be.' Should there be a lull at any time during this religious promenade the zealous pastor like a ticket-taker on an excursion boat when he sees a crowd coming as the boat is about to be pushed off exclaims in his sweetest tones, 'step up lively friends; the Lord loves a cheerful giver; Mr. Chorister, sing us a $10 tune—one of your liveliest—something that will make these good brethren and sisters let go of the half dollars and quarters they are holding in their pockets. I know they are waiting for the music; my people like music, because there is music in heaven; come on brothers and sisters.'

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"We have all heard similar appeals from the pulpit, and some of us have doubtless pitied the clergymen, who could drop from the sublime to the ridiculous in less than thirty minutes for the purpose of converting the house of God into a place of money changers, resorting to flattery and undignified expressions, to extravagances of statements far removed from the truth, to burlesque and comedy and to jokes, many of which would do credit to a fore-end man in a minstrel show. Levity in the pulpit detracts from the preacher, does him no good, and the great cause which he represents much harm."

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—Of the Movable Convention of The—

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There will be delegates present from all the States in the Union, Canada, and the West Indies. This will be the largest meeting of Colored men ever held in the West. There will be about 500 delegates present, and from two to three-thousand visitors.

The welcome addresses will be delivered by His Excellency GOV. CLAUDE MATTHEWS, and his honor Mayor THOS. TAGGART, replied to by JAS. F. NEEDHAM, G. M.

GRAND STREET PARADE Thursday, Oct. 8th, followed by an oration by THOS. H. WRIGHT, of Washington, D. C. Grand banquet at night.

Persons wishing to attend this meeting can avail themselves of cheap rates as follows: Any number under fifty, one and one-third fare; any number between fifty and two hundred, one fare for the round trip; two hundred and over, one cent per mile.

The committee is making extensive arrangements for the accommodation of all persons wishing to attend this meeting.

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